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Grandma attacked defending children

BY KIRSTEN RAWLINS
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A GRANDMOTHER-of-17 has spoken out after being attacked on her doorstep while protecting her 12-year-old grandson.

Irene Diack, 59, of Conniburrow, told how she was punched repeatedly in the head, thrown to the ground and punched in the stomach by a man chasing the child and his friends.

Ms Diack, who has asthma and a brain tumour, said the assault happened on Monday, August 2, after the children shouted at the man, who they believed was dealing drugs.

She said: "The man then ran towards the children saying he was going to kill them and chased them to my door. I came outside and the man said 'your grandchildren are dead' and I stood in the way."

The man then punched Ms Diack in the head six or seven times, kicking her in the stomach and throwing her on the floor.

She said: "If he'd hit the kids like he hit me, he would have put them in a coma. I'd much rather take it. One of the girls said if I'd not stood in the way they would have been dead – he was a big man. That poor girl was in a right state – she's still very frightened."

Following the attack, the man ran towards Downs Barn and Irene was sent to hospital.

She added: "To be dealing drugs and chasing and threatening kids like that is sick. You've got be on your guard all the time, and watch the kids constantly."

The police have made an arrest but no one has been charged.

The offender is black, aged 25 to 35, 6ft and muscular. He wore a blue baseball cap, white T-shirt, grey tracksuit bottoms and white trainers.

DC John Swallow, investigating, said: "This was a vicious attack on a vulnerable woman who was trying to defend her grandson.

"As a result of the incident the victim and her grandchildren have been left very shaken and upset."

■ Witnesses should call DC Swallow at Milton Keynes on 08458 50505 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

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Chiropractor told patient she could end in wheelchair

Council hears practitioner told woman that she needed 32 treatments

BY HAZEL SLADE
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A CHIROPRACTOR dubbed 'naive' has been suspended for two months after telling a patient if she didn't have 32 treatments she could end up in a wheelchair.

Ana-Maria Stefan, from MK Chiropractic, in Linford Forum, Linford Wood, was handed the verdict following a six-day hearing after a patient – known only as Patient A – made several complaints after seeing the chiropractor two years ago.

Stefan was found guilty of not acting in a patient's best interest, recommending inappropriate and excessive treatment, making alarmist statements and poor communication.

The General Chiropractors' Council (GCC) decided to suspend the doctor after she was also found guilty of examining Patient A's seven-year-old daughter's spine without consent and bringing the chiropractic profession into disrepute.

In announcing the committee's decision, chairman of the GCC Catherine Boyd said: "Recommending an excessive number of treatments to a patient and making alarmist statements that caused the patient to suffer anxiety are serious matters.

"Although you have displayed a degree of insight into your failings, the committee has concluded that you have not fully appreciated the consequences of your actions.

"The committee has concluded that your actions were primarily motivated by an unwavering belief in the value of chiropractic and that financial considerations were secondary.

"Although your actions reflect your naivety, you caused considerable anxiety to Patient A."

Patient A first consulted Stefan on September 15, 2008, for help with aches in her neck, shoulder and lower back and a headache.

At the second consultation on September 18, Patient A was told she needed 32 treatments over about 18 weeks.

When she protested at the cost, asking for her sessions to be reduced, Stefan told her lack of treatment would possibly lead to her ending up in a wheelchair.

Patient A also complained after Stefan recommended further treatment for her daughter, after examining the child without consent.

Stephan declined to comment on the details of the case but said: "From the day of the decision I have 28 days to appeal, and for those days I can continue to practice with no restrictions.

"In regards to anything else there is nothing I want to comment on."

Mental care not consistent for man who killed toddler

A REPORT into how mental health services dealt with a man who murdered a three-year-old has found 'lack of consistency' in his care.

Nicholas Halling from Dunstable was found guilty of killing his girlfriend's son on December 31, 2004 at her house in Osborne Street, Bletchley.

It was heard at Luton Crown Court in 2006 that when the toddler, Deraye Lewis, was taken to Milton Keynes Hospital he was already dead after suffering a serious blow to the stomach.

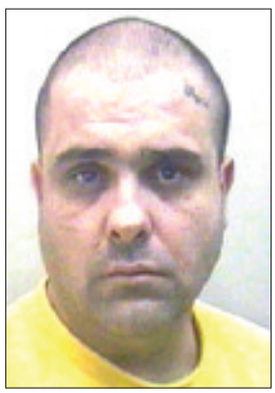
His duodenum had split open and haemorrhaged and so poisoned his system. Pathologists said it would have been caused by a heavy punch, a kick or possibly a stamp.

He also had 73 separate injuries, as well as older marks and some could have been cigarette burns.

It was heard that Halling also racially abused the child.

Halling was sentenced to life imprisonment in 2006 for the murder and must serve at least 20 years in jail.

NHS East of England commissioned an independent review last year, nearly five years after the death, into how mental health workers at Bedfordshire and Luton Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust dealt with Halling.



Jailed for life: Nicholas Halling

Halling had been in contact with them for 12 years and had been diagnosed as having a personality disorder and suffered with substance abuse.

The report found there was lack of consistency in psychiatric care and the trust had poor quality risk assessment and compliance with risk assessment policy.

The trust was taken over by South Essex Partnership Trust earlier this year.

Killed: Deraye Lewis

FINDING OUT WHAT THE MEANING OF DREAMS
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On their bikes for Barnado's

MORE than 100 cyclists got on their bikes for a 30-mile ride for a children's charity on Sunday.

The enthusiasts cycled around Willen Lake for the Get on Your Bike challenge run by BAPS.

The money raised will go to Barnardo's charity to help disadvantaged children with learning disabilities and other worthy causes.

The Cycle Challenge was open to everyone over the age of 14, with a £20 registration fee covering both bike and helmet hire.

Divya Patel, 28, came all the way from Southend-on-Sea for the event and said: "It was a fantastic day out fun, healthy, and extremely gratifying with the knowledge that we were helping children and young people less fortunate than us."

Barnardo's director of fundraising Liz Cox said: "Barnardo's is delighted and proud to be working with BAPS Charities once again and their support is invaluable in helping the charity continue its work with children, young people and their families through its projects in communities across the UK."

Hostel closure will put kids in the cold

Temporary home for vulnerable lads is set to close at end of pilot period

BY KIRSTEN RAWLINS

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TWELVE vulnerable teenagers will be left out in the cold as the hostel caring for them is being axed due to lack of funding.

The St George's hostel in Bletchley – a pilot project set up 15 months ago – is closing it's doors on September 30.

However, St Christopher's Fellowship charity home is still looking for additional funding in a bid to stay open, after MK Council's money pot ran out.

A spokesman for the council said: "This was a pilot project, with funding for 18 months, which is due to come to an end in the early autumn. The hostel was for young people to stay on a temporary basis.

"Senior officers have been discussing this matter, and are meeting to discuss possible ways forward to help accommodate the young people who currently live at St George's hostel."

Staffed 24-hours-a-day, the hostel cares for up to 12 youths at a time, many of whom have been through the care system, and all of whom are 'high needs'.

Since it has been open it has looked after more than 30 vulnerable young people.

The youngsters at the hostel are aged mainly between 16 and 18 and the project hopes to prepare them for independent living.

Chief executive of St Christopher's, Jonathan Farrow, said: "We have had significant success with the pilot project.

"However, we recognise that in the current economic climate, councils have to prioritise core services and financial constraints can lead to difficult decisions.

"We are, however, still searching for a funding solution so that we can continue the good work the project has started and carry on helping young people who have not had the easiest start in life."

Have your say on elderly care services

A MILTON Keynes MP is urging people to make their voices heard on the future of older people's services in the city.

Iain Stewart, MP for Milton Keynes South, has welcomed the consultation by Milton Keynes Council, which was launched on August 6, into the development of older people's services, especially as it relates to dementia care.

He said: "I have always argued for the end-users of services to be involved in the design and delivery of the services they receive.

"I really would like to encourage everyone, especially charities and local groups involved in caring for older people to make their voices heard loudly in this consultation.

"They should visit the consultation page of the council website to register their views."

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Estates could suffer from parking fee rise

SIR – Being a person who works in the city centre and also a resident of an estate next to the centre, I oppose the doing away of free parking.

The reasons are it could cause fewer customers to visit the centre and lead them to going to the far too many Tesco stores, where parking is free all day, not just after 6pm.

This could lead to more shop closures, therefore redundancies.

Office workers will prefer to park on the estates surrounding the centre rather than pay 30p per hour in an eight hour day. That would be £2.40 per day – £12 per week.

We have enough office staff parking on Bradwell Common already. It can be dangerous when they park near junctions.

Also will the council use some of the money to repair some the terrible roads?

Some potholes are three to four inches deep on Conniborough.

Paul Clawson
Bradwell Common

Brown & co culprits

SIR – Re: Mr D Brunwin from Walton Park (letter published last week).

I agree Lib Dem Cllr Sam Crooks' so-called catastrophic decision has nothing to do with his party or Mr Cameron.

You seem to have forgotten very quickly that it was the Labour Party that got us in the mess and, in reality, you can not spend what is not there.

The billions that we owe has got to be paid back. So think back a little while to work out who put us all in this financial mess in the first place, then you will know who to blame.

I am afraid everyone has to suffer because of Gorden Brown and co. They, too, are not innocent bystanders in your so-called coming carnage, in reality they were the cause of all that is going to happen.

Mr Harris
Newport Pagnell

■ SIR – I must take issue with Dave Brunwin's latest missive.

He accuses the coalition Government of embarking 'on an ideologically driven programme of public sector cuts and privatisation'.

He may not like to hear the facts but the reality is that the cutbacks in public spending are a direct consequence of the financial mess that the new Government inherited from the previous Labour government.

As a 'joke', the outgoing Chief Secretary to the Treasury left his successor a letter saying that 'there was no money left'. Sadly, it was no joke.

Once again a Labour government had brought the country to the brink of bankruptcy and it is the Conservatives, in coalition with the Lib Dems, who have to sort out the mess.

Yes, the cutbacks will be painful. I wish they were not necessary but we cannot ignore reality and keep on borrowing and spending as before. Like many families and businesses have already had to do, the Government must learn to live within its means.

The cost of doing nothing would be much worse.

We are endeavouring to spread the burden as equitably as possible (with the richest 10 per cent paying by far the most) and, crucially, give every encouragement possible to businesses to get the economy growing again.

Iain Stewart MP (Milton Keynes South)

Seeing both sides of the Tesco debate

SIR – On Thursday, August 12, I attended a meeting in Newport Pagnell hosted by our local town council to discuss building a Tesco superstore on the old Aston Martin site.

It was standing room only in the school hall for this meeting and I would like to express my thanks to the hundreds of passionate residents who attended.

I was truly stunned by the number of people who turned out to express their views and battle against the odds to stand up for what they believe is right, for their community.

It has given me a great understanding of the points made for and against the concept of a supermarket on this site and I will be working hard with my fellow Lib Dem colleagues to collate all the data and communications we have received before coming to a final conclusion.

It would be improper of me to have voted for or against in a show of hands at the meeting as the application itself has not yet been submitted, so I cannot make a decision without first studying the fine details of what Tesco want to do on this site and in turn the implications it will have on the ward, residents and businesses I represent.

Rest assured that as your local ward councillor and representative to Milton Keynes Council, I will do my best to represent both sides and get as many valid points as possible across to the council, whatever my final conclusion may be.

We will keep you updated through our regular Focus newsletter on how you can register your views to the council in the coming months.

Cllr Andy Maric
Milton Keynes Lib Dem councillor for Newport Pagnell South

■ SIR – May I ask you to consider a few thoughts after the public meeting in Newport Pagnell on the Tesco proposals?

Although it was a very well conducted meeting, a vote of 200 from a population of 17,000 can in no way be taken as representative of the whole, no matter what persuasion it indicated.

Better surely to organise a leaflet referendum of every household when full details of Tesco's application are known.

Secondly, it was said collectively that the High Street trade was already in decline through a) rise of Internet shopping b) lack of trolley-to-car facilities and c) the huge pulling power from retail competitions from central Milton Keynes.

The town desperately needs a campaign to attract many more visitors through promotion of it's undoubted assets, along with any new offerings that might include more shopping facilities, motoring heritage, arts and public services, educational provisions, etc.

As to the Tesco proposal, incomplete as yet, what came across loudly at the meeting was the company's poor PR image and reputation. There is, of course, the well-known British disease for demonising success, but remembering the old adage from my business degree that for every vocal complaint, there will be another 12 who don't speak out, I'm sure the extent of this criticism must be alarming for Tesco management.

Let the officers and representatives of the local authority, who must be prime guardians of our planning laws and enforcement, be determined only to approve the best possible deal for Tesco, for the benefit of our community and to take particular care in ensuring that all agreements will be rigorously monitored and adhered to.

My own view is Tesco is impervious to criticism or reputation damage. Its chief executive is soon departing and in a hugely competitive industry there are signs that the market share may have peaked. In short, Tesco is more than usually conscious of knowing what communities like ours can do for it.

Now we should concentrate on what they can do for us.

Richard Meredith
Newport Pagnell

For a full report of the Tesco meeting see page 5

Lack of intelligence or 'spin' before honesty?

SIR – Ah, so it's our fault we're losing free parking in the city centre and the number of premium rate spaces are increasing.

According to Cllr Alan Mallyon, these things are happening because when the council consulted the public, we said it was unfair that the cheap spaces are nabbed by those who can get to work ahead of the school run ('those who can get there early enough are managers on high wages'), leaving the rest of us dawdlers to pay full whack.

Leaving aside the fact that Cllr Mallyon is simply wrong – there are plenty of city centre workers who, precisely because they're on low incomes, set the alarm for some unearthly hour in order to get a 'standard' space – the topsy turvy nature of this thinking is just crazy.

Is he really saying that those who took part in the consultation would prefer everyone to pay a high rate, in the interests of 'fairness' and 'simplicity'?

Either we should be very worried about the intelligence of our elected representatives, or we should conclude that even at local level spin has taken the place of honesty, respect for the electorate, and a desire to work with us.

Put up prices if you must but at least have the wisdom to treat us like grown-ups and the courage to be honest about what you are doing and why you are doing it.

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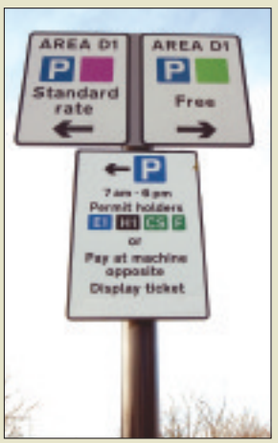

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Fun for everyone at mini Olympics

OLYMPIC fever hit Milton Keynes when children took part in a summer holiday sports day.

The mini Olympics was held at Broughton Fields Primary School on Milton Road and featured events that will take place at London 2012.

Children also enjoyed three-legged races, welly-wanging, sack races and ball games.

The day was organised by Milton Keynes Council's extended services team and Premier Sport.

The aim was to give children the opportunity to try out new activities and meet children from other schools in a fun and relaxed environment.

Children who took part were from Broughton, Middleton, Monkston and St Bernadette's primary schools.

Linzi Halfpenny, from the extended services team, said: "The great thing about this day is that anyone could participate regardless of their sporting ability. Our number one goal was to make the day, affordable, fun and enjoyable for everyone.

"Judging by the smiles on the children's faces, I think we achieved it.

"Thanks to Broughton Fields kindly provided school facilities free of charge as part of its extended schools offer."

Residents vote 'no' to new Tesco store

BY KIRSTEN RAWLINS

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ALMOST 200 Newport Pagnell residents turned up for a public meeting to debate plans for a new Tesco in the town.

The supermarket giant wants to build a store on the former Aston Martin site, creating 120 new jobs, although no official plans have been submitted.

After a heated discussion, the meeting saw a vote for and against the plans – 62 in favour, 111 against.

Father-of-three Anthony Smith, 32, from Newport Pagnell, said: "My main concern is that there will be around five cars per minute pulling into the Tesco car park. This would cause problems relating to traffic. I'm thinking of my kids. I want them to be able to walk along the street to school. I don't want to have to think of their safety all the time.

"A supermarket of that size will affect house prices, causing problems once we come to sell.

"It's nothing against Tesco, it's just I don't see a need for a supermarket of that size in Newport Pagnell.

"No one's going to use the high street once they've been to Tesco – why would you struggle to find parking to go to the butcher's while your ice cream's melting in the boot of your car, when you could just buy the meat from Tesco?"

Scott Humphries, 41, of Queens Avenue, formed a Facebook group in favour of the plans and said: "I am very much in favour of the Tesco proposal.

"I'm firmly of the belief that most people in the town would use Tesco. Everyone loves Newport Pagnell and we all want what's best. Tesco would bring people from outside villages to the town."

Tony Fletcher, spokesman for Tesco, said: "The plans should be submitted within the next two to three weeks.

"We've had discussions with many of the local traders and, although some still have concerns, many understand our argument that in keeping people in Newport Pagnell to do their supermarket shopping, there will be more people around to visit the High Street."

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Cyclist stranded after bike theft

OAP's unique cycle stolen from takeaway

BY HAZEL SLADE
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A PENSIONER was left stranded 15 miles from home after his specially designed bike was stolen.

The 67-year-old victim – who had cycled to Milton Keynes from Bedford to meet a friend – was left without transport home after his bicycle was taken from outside McDonald's restaurant in Westcroft.

However, kind staff at the takeaway arranged for a lift home for the man, after the cycle was stolen just after 1.30pm on Sunday.

The bicycle is a steel-framed Bianchi racing bike, with carbon forks and is light peppermint green, including the handlebar tape.

All the components are Campagnolo and the bicycle was in an immaculate condition.

It held two water bottles, a silver pump and had a small bag attached containing a spare tyre. The wheels are in a distinctive grass-green colour.

The man who stole the bike is white, aged in his early twenties, slim and 5ft 8ins.

He has short hair and had a mark on one of his cheeks, possibly a scar or spot. He made off with the bicycle towards Emerson Valley.

PC Chris Bird, investigating, said: "The victim's bicycle was made specifically for him in 2007.

"Cycling is his life-long passion and his bicycle was his pride and joy, keeping him fit and active.

"Obviously the victim is devastated by the loss of his bicycle and I am appealing for anyone who has seen this bicycle or has been offered a bicycle matching the above description to contact me or Crimestoppers."

Anyone with any information can call PC Bird at Milton Keynes police station via the 24-hour Police Enquiry Centre on 0845 8505 505 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111

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> **– Investigating officer PC Chris Bird**

Driver with no licence or insurance had heroin and knife

A MAN has been charged for class A drug and driving offences and possession of an offensive weapon.

Neil Smith, 36, of Garraways, Coffee Hall, was arrested following a stop check of a vehicle on Marron Lane, Wolverton, when officers found heroin and a lock knife. Mr Smith was charged with with two counts of possession of class A drugs – heroin – possession of an offensive weapon, driving without insurance and driving without a licence.

He was released on bail to appear at Milton Keynes Magistrates' Court on September 8.

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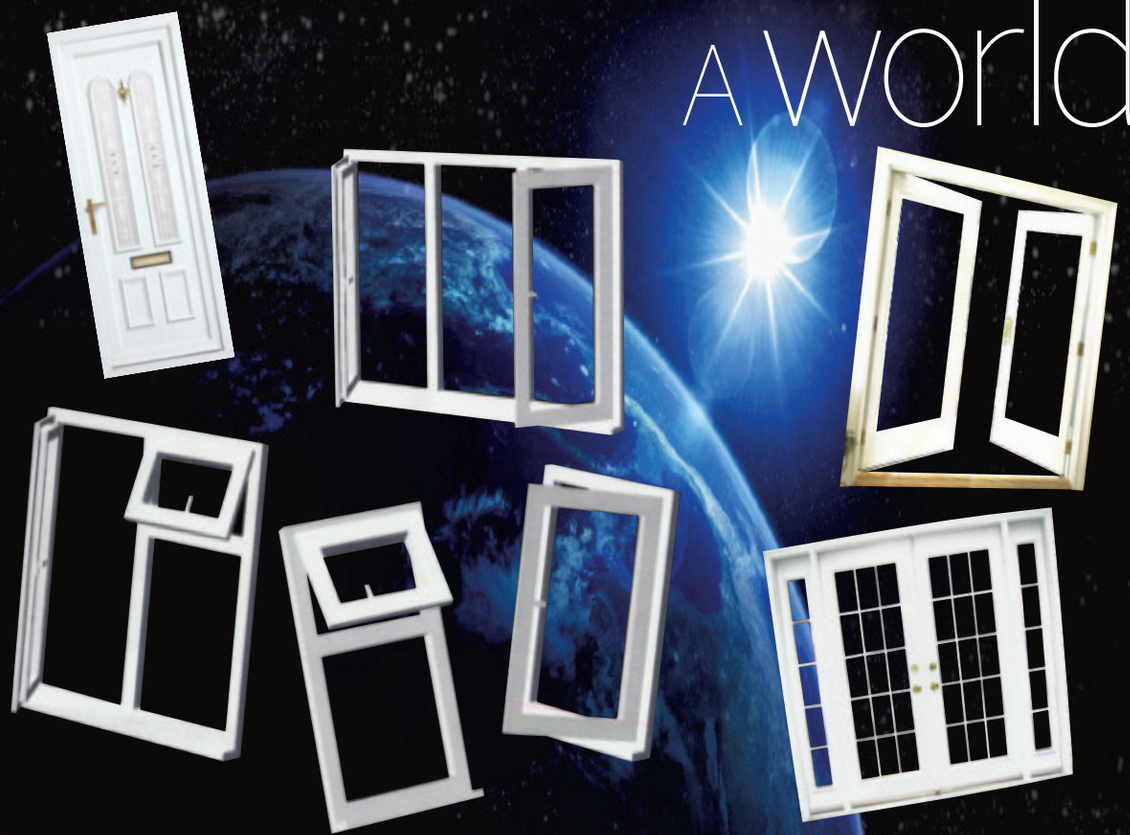

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Man's night out ended in hospital A&E

A 'VICIOUS and unprovoked attack' on a man enjoying a night out in Central Milton Keynes left the victim needing 16 stitches to the head.

The victim, from Luton, received a number of injuries, including a cut to his head, bruising to both hands and scratches to one of his elbows.

The assault took place outside Phoenix Men's Club, at the Leisure Plaza, Central Milton Keynes, between 4am and 4.15am on Sunday, August 8, when he was attacked from behind.

The assault continued after he had fallen to the ground.

The victim, who was taken to Luton and Dunstable Hospital, was wearing a dark-coloured short-sleeved shirt and denim jeans.

DC John Swallow, investigating officer, said: "This was a vicious, unprovoked attack on a man enjoying a night out with friends and ended up with him in hospital with significant injuries.

"I believe there would have been a number of people in the area around the time of the offence and I am appealing to anyone who has any information in connection with the assault to contact me at MK Police Station via the 24-hour Police Enquiry Centre on 0845 8 505 505 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111."

Biker killed in convoy crash

A 27-YEAR-OLD Milton Keynes man was killed in an accident near Hardwick on Wednesday evening.

Just after 8pm a black and grey Kawasaki motorcycle which was travelling towards Aylesbury on the A413 between Whitchurch and Aylesbury in convoy with several other motorcycles.

The bike left the road on a bend near Hardwick and went onto the verge, before sliding to a stop further down the road.

Anyone with any information can call either Sgt Fraser Chamberlain or PC Phil Hanham on 0845 8505 505 or call Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Illegal immigrants found in the back of a yoghurt lorry heading for Milton Keynes

Immigrants are found in back of a yoghurt lorry

BY KIRSTEN RAWLINS
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A HAULAGE company faces a fine of up to £16,000 after eight people hid in a lorry carrying yoghurt to Milton Keynes.

The Whitehall Avenue haulage company, from Kingston, is currently being investigated to ensure it took the required steps to secure its vehicle.

Should it be proven it did not, the firm could be fined up to £2,000 per stowaway.

However, a spokesman from the UK Border Agency said in the majority of cases the drivers have checked the vehicle properly and this firm is unlikely to be any different.

The eight men – from Vietnam, Iran and Afghanistan were discovered in the early hours of August 8 when UK Border Agency officers working at the port of Calais in France searched a German registered vehicle.

They had noticed the trailer was not secured properly and found the men hiding on top of the load.

The stowaways were all handed over to the French border police and the vehicle was allowed to continue its journey to Kingston.

Carole Upshall, the UK Border Agency's director for operations in Northern France, said: "This is exactly why we base so many of our staff in France – to stop illegal immigrants before they can reach the UK.

"As well as physically searching vehicles, our staff use sniffer dogs, heartbeat detectors and carbon dioxide probes to find people hiding in lorries."

Anyone with information on immigration-related crime is asked call Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111 or visit www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/report-immigration-crime.

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Fire closes Food Centre car park

BY KIRSTEN RAWLINS
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FIVE-HUNDRED-AND-FIFTY car parking spaces were closed to shoppers after a car fire broke out in the Food Centre multi-storey car park.

A member of security staff at the centre was also sent to hospital following the fire on Thursday morning, suffering from smoke inhalation

Fire crews from Great Holm, Newport Pagnell and Bletchley arrived to find a car alight on the ground floor of the four-storey car park between Iceland and Waitrose.

Firefighter Chris Montague, watch manager in charge of the incident, said: "The car was at the bottom of the ramp to the first floor when it caught fire. Fortunately the occupants were able to get out safely and alert the emergency services."

Security staff from thecentre:mk, who manage the car park, were able to help evacuate the area.

Mr Montague said: "The immediate intervention of security staff helped to ensure the car park was evacuated as quickly as possible, and they were able to stop more cars from entering.

The multi-storey car park at the Food Centre was closed after a car caught fire at the bottom of the ramp to the first floor

"If it wasn't for their prompt actions and liaison with fire service staff the incident could have been more serious.

"Due to the amount of smoke throughout the car park we were concerned about people on other levels being affected. The crews from Great Holm were able to deal with the car fire while the crews from Newport Pagnell and Bletchley searched the other floors to ensure that nobody was trapped or overcome by smoke."

Melanie Beck, head of advertising and marketing from thecentre:mk, said: "At 10.43am an isolated car was reported on fire in the Food Centre car park. The fire service was called immediately and attended the site. The fire was extinguished, and by 11.30am the resulting smoke had cleared the building and the car park was reopened for the public to collect their vehicles.

"All the retailers in the Food Centre remained open, with only the car park closing.

"To ensure public safety, a structural engineer is being called to site to ensure there are no long term issues from the fire. The entrance to the car park will then be reopened as soon as possible.

"We would like to thank our customers, Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service and Thames Valley Police for their help with this situation."

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The new 38,000 sq ft store opened on Thursday 12th August at Winterhill, Milton Keynes MK6 1AG.

The Milton Keynes store has been designed to accommodate Dunelm Mill's extensive range of homeware items. This includes favourite household names such as Dorma, Fogarty, Morphy Richards and Brabantia plus Dunelm Mill's own exclusive collection - all at 'Simply Value for Money' prices.

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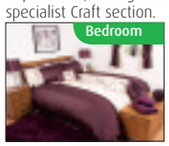
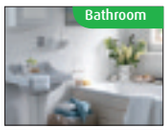
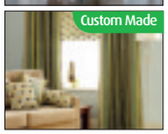
In addition, the new store will provide a Custom Made Curtains, Blinds and Accessories service where shoppers can choose from a huge range of fabrics, a dedicated Dorma bedding department, a Cook Shop, Furniture department, Dining and Utility area and a specialist Craft section.







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Delphi Ellis – living

Are our night adventures just a stream of pictures thrown together or are they our subconscious trying to tell us something? MK NEWS reporter Simone Corgan met dream analyst Delphi Ellis to find out

THE words 'I had the weirdest dream last night' echo through homes, offices and schools every day.

Some people are vivid dreamers to the extent they wake up and feel as though they've been in a feature length action film – I am one of those people.

So I jumped at the chance to meet Delphi Ellis to discuss those deep and dark personal adventures.

Delphi has a background in counselling, specifically for bereavement, and it was during that time she noticed people's dreams and nightmares had an impact on the way they grieved.

Based at the Isis Centre in Kiln Farm, Delphi, whose company Dream Wellbeing also offers reiki and reflexology, does not claim to tell you exactly what your dream means or offer solutions.

Instead, she helps you pick apart night visions and focus on areas in your life which could be encouraging the images you see when you snooze.

"The interesting thing about dreams, though, is it tends to fall in to the 'new age' category," Delphi explained. "Which is something that really frustrates me because we've been analysing dreams for thousands of years, pre-dating the bible.

"Some people just want to know what their dreams mean, they don't want to look at the background."

A dream Delphi – who has appeared on GMTV and This Morning – is often approached about is parents who dream they have lost a child.

Although a terrifying thought, Delphi says it is 'perfectly natural", she explained it will happen throughout their childhood.

She said: "Between the ages of two and three the child might want to start dressing themselves.

"At the ages of six and seven a child will start to develop their own style, they'll get their own group of friends, and between the ages of 11 and 13 they develop into a new individual.

"If you think about it in metaphorical terms the mum is losing the child at different stages of their life and that's why the mum is dreaming they are losing their child, not physically, but slowly the mum is becoming redundant and not needed any more."

Speaking in-depth about our night thoughts goes against the British attitude. Possibly due to a fear of sounding a little odd in front of peers or worrying that people will judge if a disturbing nightmare is explored.

"People who dream about losing their teeth tend to be worried about their looks. And it's then up to the dreamer to relate to that information to make sense of it.

"It's almost like opening the door to it and encouraging them to talk about it.

"Dreams are healthy, so whether you're chopping somebody up into a million different pieces or whether you're marrying Prince Charles, they're all normal.

"What they can do is give you indications about your emotional health, I call it emotional housekeeping.

"If you are having dreams which are very graphic, very violent, lots of blood, guts, gore and horrible events – that's a very good indicator that you are under stress.

"They will often point to either a period in your life or an event that is remaining unresolved.

"When you dream about people you love dying, or them hurting you, it's often a sign that you're worried about that relationship to some degree."

As I spoke to Delphi about the dreams I had, and those people in the MK NEWS office had discussed prior to my visit, I realised my recollection of events was hazy.

the dream

That is because we lose 90 percent of our dreams in the ten minutes after waking – which is why dream diaries are a wise idea.

By jotting down our dreams we can notice a pattern as to when they happen and perhaps work out if certain themes reoccur when we have deadlines or pressure in our lives.

As we spoke about examples of dreams, Delphi explained there are various topics that tend to pop up in people's lives.

The top five dreams relate to falling, flying, being chased, losing teeth and being naked.

"People will have the naked dream if they've put their feelings on the line, sometimes we talk about wearing our heart on our sleeve, so they might feel exposed in an emotional sense.

"The outside of the house is what the individual shows the outside world. If it's well kept, what the individual wants the outside world to see is they are stable and perfect.

"As well as looking at what's happening outside the house, it's important for the dreamer to think about what's happening inside because that can often give them an insight to how they are, not just emotionally but physically as well."

Speaking to Delphi will certainly raise questions about the way you are living your life and may also offer that bit of comfort to settle unwanted dreams and nightmares.

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Barcelona bike ride to raise charity cash

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Mark Robinson Julie Smith and Michael Chambers – three of the MK team doing the Brighton to Barcelona charity bike ride

FOR many, a trip from Brighton to Barcelona would be one of rest and relaxation – but not for one Milton Keynes team.

In a bid to raise £10,000 for Willen Hospice, Mark Robinson, 36, Julie Smith, 33, Nigel Byrne, 39, and Michael Chambers, 32, will be joining forces with a team from Sussex to cycle the 800 miles.

Starting on September 15, the team will take 10 days to ride through three countries and the Pyrenees mountain range.

Mr Robinson, who runs WakeMK, the cable akeboard centre at Willen Lake, said: "We view this as a challenge for us and we've also thought it would be a good way to raise some money."

Explaining why Willen Hospice was first choice, Mr Robinson said: "Willen Hospice is such a well known and respected charity and it's such a good cause, it's not just money going in to a black hole.

"They have a deficit of £500,000, so they need as much help as possible.

"Everyone knows someone who has needed to use a hospice and these people work tirelessly."

All of the equipment, travel and accommodation will be paid for by the team and everything raised will go directly to charity.

So far, £4,000 has been raised through curry nights and bucket shaking, which will be happening at more events, including the upcoming WakeMK's Summer Jam wakeboarding competition.

None of the team had any previous cycling experience and for his first practise Mark cycled three miles – a feat he admitted had 'ruined him'.

Training started in December and since the team has completed 214 miles in two days– cycling from Milton Keynes to Portsmouth.

Julie Smith has also ridden part of a stage of the Tour de France a – 13 miles uphill – which she found a struggle.

She said: "At times, I just wanted to throw my bike off the mountain. It was good fun, and a really good achievement for me – I'd never done anything like that before."

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City MP debuts on Ramadan FM radio

A CITY MP made his debut on a Ramadan radio station.

Mark Lancaster went to visit the people behind Central Milton Keynes-based Ramadan FM, which is in its second year of operation.

As MK NEWS featured last week the city's first radio station dedicated to the Muslim holy month broadcasts online as well as on 87.7FM.

It is a voluntary venture by 50 people who ensure that programmes, prayers and lectures are broadcast 24/7 during the month of fasting, which started on Wednesday, August 11.

During his visit to their Norfolk House base, Mr Lancaster took part in a pre-recorded interview with hosts Leila Reeb and Muhammad Houghton.

He was asked about his background, including his entry to politics, his time spent as a Territorial Army officer in Afghanistan and his views on the burka. During a surprise quiz he impressed with his knowledge of Islamic culture.

Praising the diversity of Milton Keynes, he was particularly interested to hear that the radio station broadcasts in various languages as well as English, targeting the Sri Lankan and Somalian communities for example.

Mr Lancaster said: "This is a fantastic project and just proves what communities can do when they pull together. What better medium to use to reach out to people?."

MP Mark Lancaster with Leila Reeb and Muhammad Houghton at Ramadan FM where he impressed with his knowledge of Islamic culture during a surprise quiz

Pair to face robbery and blackmail charges

TWO Bletchley men have appeared at Huntington Crown Court on charges of blackmail and robbery.

Ayanleh Hosh, 32, and Muna Mohamaud, 19, both from Langdale Close, Bletchley, were charged after an incident on July 26 this year. Hosh was remanded in custody and Mohamaud was released on bail. Both men are due to appear at Huntingdon Crown Court at a later date.

The charges relate to a mobile phone robbery from a property in Langdale Close, Bletchley, and demands for money with menaces that were made.

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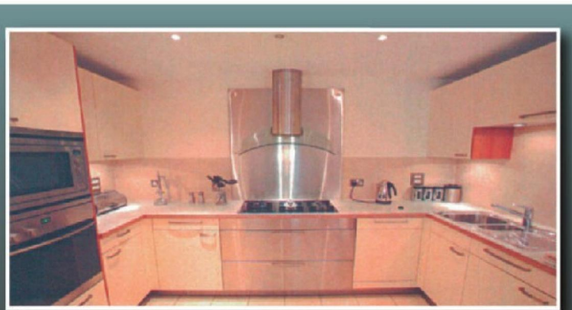

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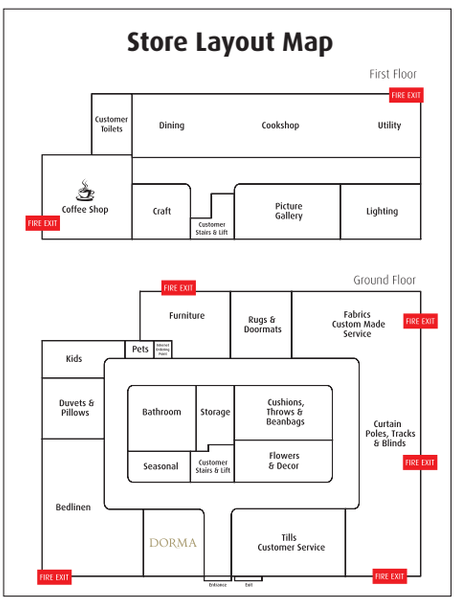

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Transplant athlete adds to medal haul

BY SIMONE CORGAN
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A MAN who underwent a kidney transplant last year returned home from the 2010 European Transplant and Dialysis Games with two medals.

Jamie Lonsdale, of Walton Park, Milton Keynes, was the recipient of his older brother's kidney last April, after a kidney disease left him needing dialysis three times a week and five blood transfusions.

The 22-year-old was one of 20 from the UK team to win two medals at the Games recently held in Dublin.

The first, a silver in the ten pin bowling event, the second, a bronze after competing in the badminton singles to add to the gold medal he won in badminton at the Chinese Transplant Games last month.

Some 350 transplant and dialysis athletes from 24 European countries visited Dublin from August 8 to 15 to participate in the European Games and to raise awareness of the need for organ donation across the continent.

Medals winner: Jamie Lonsdale

The European Transplant and Dialysis Games, offers a week-long competition demonstrating the benefits of sport for both transplantees and patients on dialysis.

Some of these European Games medal winners returned last week and will heading to Bath to compete in the British Transplant Games.

Organised by Transplant Sport UK, the Games aims to encourage people to sign-on the NHS Organ Donor Register and give the gift of life.

Through organising sports and social events for transplant recipients, Transplant Sport UK shows the benefits of organ donation and proves that people can lead a normal and active life again after transplantation as well as giving thanks to the donor families.

Council hosts tired driver day at m-way services

MILTON KEYNES Council is hosting a Driver Fatigue Awareness Day in Newport Pagnell on August 20.

The council's Road Safety Officers are hosting the day to remind motorists of the danger of tiredness while driving during the holiday season.

The event will be taking place at the Welcome Break Services at Newport Pagnell on the M1.

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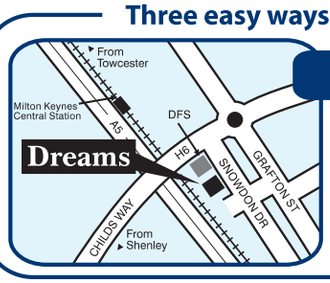

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MORE than three quarters of people from Milton Keynes residents have confessed to being clueless about the importance of a good gut, a new survey has revealed.

Figures released by www.loveyourgut.com show that 84 per cent of residents know nothing about having a healthy digestive system.

Eighty-two per cent of us also admitted to rarely or never concerning ourselves with the health of our guts.

This research has been carried out to raise 'gut awareness' in time for annual Gut Week, which runs from August 23 to 29.

Gastroenterologist and medical advisor to The Gut Trust, Dr Nick Read said: "Many people aren't aware that the majority of the body's immune system is located in the gut, so looking after it is a key part of looking after the whole body.

"In order to maintain good gut health it's important to understand how the digestive system communicates with you so that you can be aware of any unusual symptoms you might experience.

"You wouldn't ignore a nasty rash on your face, which could be a sign of anything from an infection to an allergy, so why ignore a sight, sound or feeling from your gut, which could also be a sign of something wrong, or a reassurance that all is OK?

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The survey also revealed in Milton Keynes:

- 40 per cent of people know sounds coming from the gut may be a sign that all is working properly
- 18 per cent would understand what it meant if their faeces were a different colour
- 19 per cent know that a crampy abdominal pain could be a sign of irritable bowel syndrome (IBS)
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Police seek elderly woman after dog kills 20-year-old cat

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after an 20-year-old cat was savaged by a dog owned by an elderly woman.

Just after 4.30pm, on Saturday, August 7, a black lurcher attacked a 20-year-old cat on Craddocks Close, Bradwell – the cat died as a result of its injuries.

The owner of the dog is an elderly white woman, aged between 70 and 75. She is about 5ft 2ins, of medium build, with short, dark brown hair which is greying and was wearing glasses.

She was riding on a dark blue mobility scooter which had a bright blue cushion on it.

PC Matt Thorn, investigating, said: "Understandably the owner of the cat is very upset and I am appealing for anyone who witnessed the incident or believes they may know the owner of the dog to contact me or Crimestoppers.

"We need to trace the owner to give her the appropriate advice and support to ensure that this cannot happen again."

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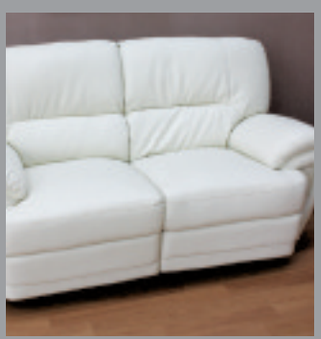

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City's top nurse lays Nightingale wreath

TOP nurse Gillian Prager joined in the national ceremonies to commemorate 100 years since the death of Florence Nightingale last week.

NHS Milton Keynes chief nurse Mrs Prager joined her fellow Nightingale nurses on Friday to lay a wreath at the Crimea Memorial in London in honour of the famous woman.

Nightingale nurses are trained and qualified at the Nightingale School of Nursing, St Thomas' Hospital, London which was set up by Florence Nightingale in 1860 and remained open until 1996 when nurse training moved to universities and higher education colleges.

Gillian also led the laying of a wreath in the chapel of St Thomas' Hospital the previous weekend.

Gillian Prager, left, and a fellow Nightingale Nurse with the wreath at the Florence Nightingale memorial at St Thomas' Hospital

Mrs Prager said: "I am very proud to be a Nightingale Nurse.

"These events are a wonderful opportunity to pay tribute to Florence Nightingale's work, which established the compassion and professional care in nursing that we take for granted today. To lay the wreaths is a tremendous honour."

This was one of a series of events to commemorate the death of the founder of modern nursing.

Last May Mrs Prager led a commemorative week-long study tour of 30 Nightingale Nurses to Scutari near Istanbul in Turkey, the hospital where the 'Lady of the Lamp' cared for the wounded and dying during the Crimea War.

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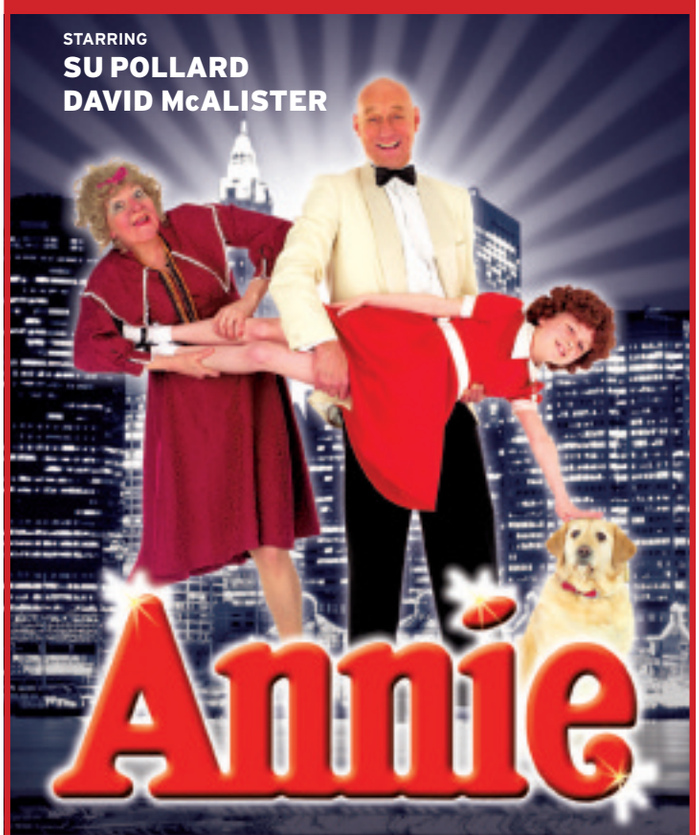

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Jail for thief who preyed on kids

18 months: Robber Jamie Aldridge

AN 18-year-old man from Greenleys has been sentenced to 18 month's behind bars for three robberies on children as young as 14.

Jamie Aldridge from Pinders Croft was sentenced at Huntingdon Crown Court to 18 month's detention in a Young Offenders Institute after he pleaded guilty to three robberies.

Aldridge was charged with robbery in April after he had stolen from three boys earlier that month.

The victims, two aged 14 and one 16, were on Northrow, Central Milton Keynes, when Aldridge threatened them and demanded their property. They handed over their mobile phones and cash.

DC Rob Snell said: "I would say to anyone thinking about committing these types of offences to consider whether stealing a mobile phone or an iPod is really worth a stretch in prison.

"We take a zero tolerance approach to anyone committing these crimes and we have a very robust approach in Milton Keynes to investigating robbery, so offenders run a very high risk of getting caught."

Phone robber locked up

A MAN has been jailed for one year and nine months for robbery on August 5.

John Michael David Norman, 20, of no fixed abode, was sentenced to 21 months detention in a Young Offenders Institute at Huntingdon Crown Court, after pleading guilty to robbery.

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In 1901 they were fired to mourn the death of Queen Victoria, the 81 salutes were heard as far away as Olney. On the 1 January 2000, at 11.00am the Poppers were fired to mark the beginning of the Second Millennium. At 2.00pm on the 4 August 2000, a salute of six Poppers was fired to celebrate the 100th birthday of the Queen Mother.

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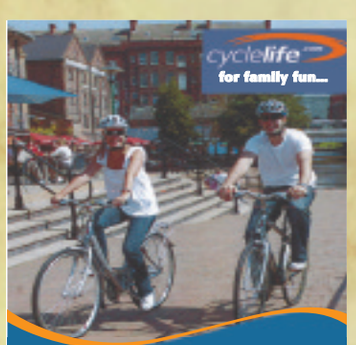

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12.45 Robin G Solo
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1.40 Tanya K Solo
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2.35 Angels dance
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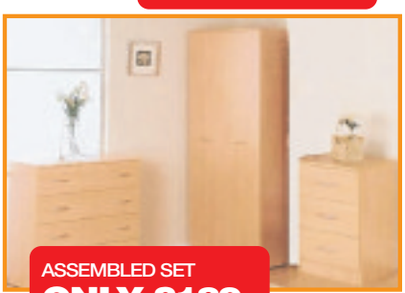

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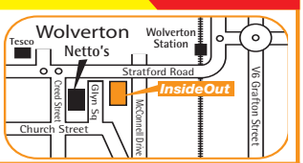

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Shop staff celebrate best jeweller award

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Fraser Hart jewellers, in Midsummer Arcade, Milton Keynes, have been praised for its 'friendly professional service and attentive customer care' after the company was voted top in a major national retail award by specialist trade magazine Retail Jeweller.

The store, which is part of an independent family-owned group with 34 branches around the UK, won the same award in 2003, 2005 and 2007.

As part of the process for deciding the award, the panel of judges visits stores around UK.

After visiting Fraser Hart, they said: "The feel of a family business comes down from the top.

"We got a real sense of the excitement employees feel to work here and were bowled over by the exceptional nurturing of talent."

Milton Keynes store manager Sheena Russell-Hart said: "We were thrilled by the comments of the judges and feel extremely proud to be part of the team that helped Fraser Hunt win this award for the fourth time.

"It's true that the company has a real family feel and everyone who works here has a strong commitment to representing it to the best of our ability.

Members of the Fraser Hunt Milton Keynes team: Sarah Green, Sheena Russell-Hart, Hannah Leah and James May

"The staff here feel valued and that reflects in the enthusiasm everyone has for the company and the products we sell customers see that and in turn feel that they are valued too."

As well as customer service, the judging panel took into consideration shop design and layout, product choice, and its relationship with suppliers.

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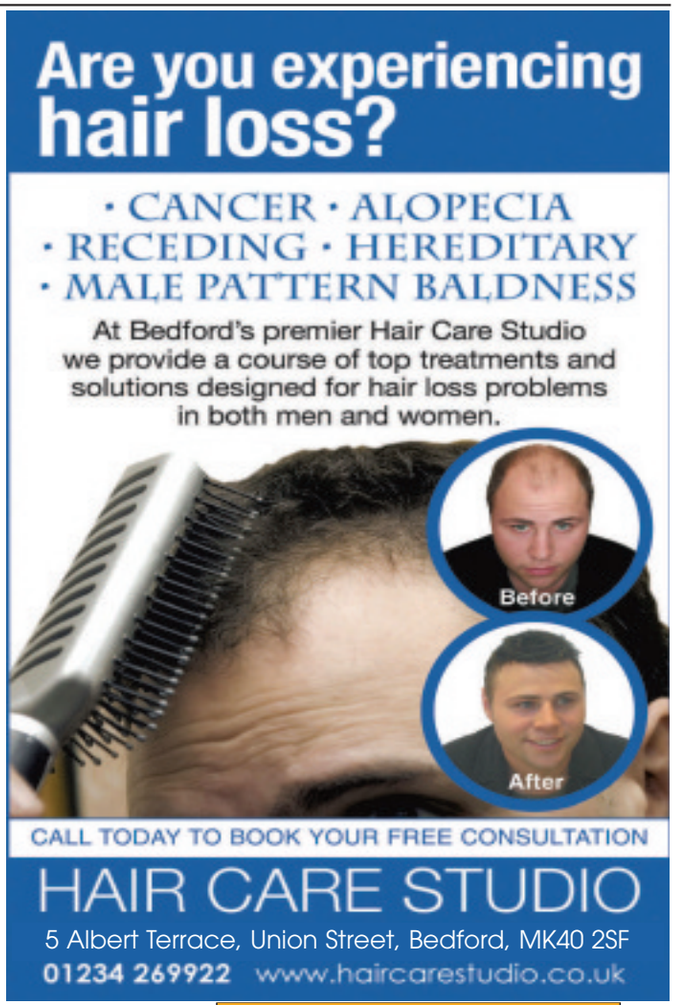

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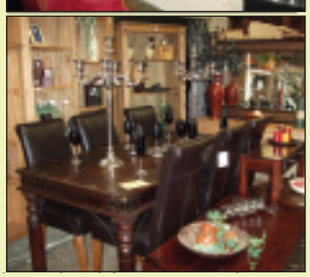

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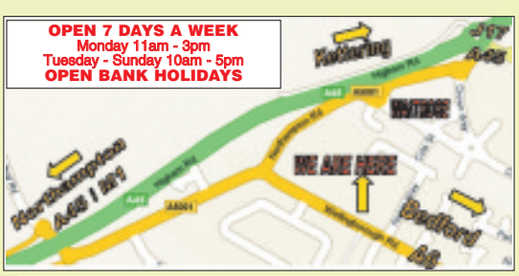

LB Children's Theatre leavers Emily Beckwith, Amber Nightingale, Cara O'Neill, Sasha Flitney, Serena Tartaglia, Adam Smart and Dominic Rose

Kids bow out in style

SIXTY young thespians trod the boards for a final show this summer – raising £300 for a cancer charity.

The members of Leighton Buzzard Children's Theatre, aged 13 to 18, performed a variety of acts, including a chorus of Oklahoma, Broadway numbers and a special drag act, at The Leavers Show.

And another seven leavers performed a song and dance routine named 'If' from Two Down the Aisle during the performance at The Vandyke Theatre, Leighton Buzzard, on July 20.

The younger members, aged 5 to 13, also took part in The Barn Bonanza, where the children sang songs from shows including Annie, Oliver, Glee and The Sound of Music.

The charity donation were added to the money pot of more than £45,000, that the group have raised during the last 14 years for local, national and international charities.

This years cash is going to Act against Cancer.

The new season starts in September, when the 140 members resume their weekly sessions.

Upcoming productions include The Pirates of Penzance at the LB Theatre on Saturday, October 2, Les Miserables schools edition to be performed on December 3 and 4 at the Vandyke Theatre and the Christmas Sing Out against Cancer on December 11.

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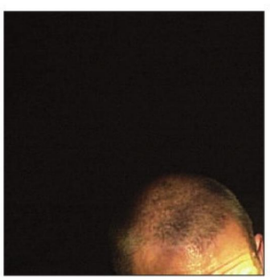

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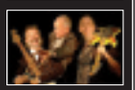

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That said, this is downbeat, plodding and yet oddly uplifting at the same time. It's not so much a 'Isn't life just WONDERFUL?' type song, more of a 'We'll get through this, whatever this happens to be, and we'll be stronger for the experience' one.

Now, I can't speak for you, after all I hardly know you, but personally I prefer songs that have the latter message, because generally they have a far more grounded world view than, say, anything done by Same Difference.

The strange thing about this song is that although it's the best part of five minutes long, it pretty much moves into top gear straightaway and barely lets up... but it never runs out of team.

Remember that Kate Nash single that felt as though it never ended? What do you mean, I have to narrow it down? Oh alright, fine, it was Do Wah Doo. Yeah, that one. Remember that?

Not even three minutes long and yet by the time it finished I felt almost as old as the universe itself.

This song isn't like that at all – the five minutes fly past so quickly they don't even have time to wave goodbye to you. Oh yes, I like this one very much.

SHINE ON FOREVER (PHOTO FRAME)
Same Difference

Oh heck, speak of the devil. I was just talking about this lot, wasn't I?

Now, I hadn't actually heard this song when I was writing the above review, so I stand ready to be corrected by this, their somewhat surprising comeback single.

It's not surprising because it's necessarily any good, it's surprising because it actually exists. Remember their last single? Exactly.

However, you never know, I've been wrong before. Let's give it a listen, it might be OK.

(Four minutes later)

Well... that was... harrowing.

This song doesn't just sound dated, it sounds substandard and dated.

I can't help feeling that if someone offered this song to Steps ten years ago they'd have been told where to go, and if it doesn't even pass Steps' quality control then it has to be a duffer.

Whilst I applaud Same Difference's desperate efforts to claw their way out of pop music's dumper, they're really not helping themselves when they put out stuff like this.

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August 23-28. 7.30pm
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CLIFFORD Odet's The Country Girl comes to Milton Keynes Theatre as part of a short national tour prior to opening in the West End at the Apollo Theatre in October.

Almost three decades ago Bill Kenwright had his first West End hit with The Country Girl at the featuring Martin Shaw as the hotshot director of a new Broadway play. This season Kenwright will present the same play in the same theatre and with the same star - only this time Shaw will play the role of former theatrical great Frank Elgin, starring alongside Jenny Seagrove as his long-suffering wife.

The part originally played by Shaw will be performed by Mark Letheren.

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The Country Girl is the powerful story of washed-up actor Frank Elgin a desperate and demanding alcoholic who is offered a comeback chance to star in the next Broadway play by young director Bernie Dodd As the 'Country Girl' of the title, Jenny Seagrove plays his long-suffering wife Georgie. Believing that Georgie is the reason for Elgin's career decline, Bernie strikes up a stormy relationship with the actor's wife - but how far should a woman go to redeem the man she loves?

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Jessie Buckley

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TASTE **LIFE**

ORTEGA

Theatre District
01908 674322
Reviewed by Simone Corgan

THIS Spanish tapas bar has stood the test of time.

Ortega has other competition in the city, but the stylish venue remains as popular as ever largely down to its delicious menu and friendly staff.

A word of advice though, one tapas dish equates to the same amount of food as one starter.

This was a lesson my guest and I learnt after ordering an array of dishes prior to our main meal.

On our table we had a small bowl of Patatas Bravas (£3.25), delicious deep fried potatoes in a tangy spicy tomato sauce, Brochetas de Pollo (£4.25), lightly grilled chicken skewers with red pepper and onion, Albongdigas (£4.95), tender beef meatballs covered in a rich tomato sauce and the Tortilla con Chorizo (£3.50), a traditional Spanish omelette with chorizo.

I adored the Patatas Bravas with the spicy sauce a perfect partner to potatoes which were crispy on the outside but fluffy inside.

But after all that food we began to regret also ordering our mains - Carne paella (9.25) and

I opted for the paella, once it arrived on my table I noticed we should have made it a dish to share, it was packed rice, tomatoes and saffron with chunks of chicken and chorizo added in.

A rice dish can often be thought of as bland but the smokiness added by the chorizo added a tasty punch.

My guest selected the 10oz rib eye stake (£13.95) cooked to perfection with a side of chunky golden chips.

No matter how full we were there was no way the two of us would turn down dessert, especially when we saw the menu.

My guest chose the very tempting tarta de chocolate (£4.50), a mouthwatering combination of milk, dark and white chocolate mousse on a crispy biscuit base.

While the Crema Catalana (£4.50) was a winner with me as the custard dessert proved light enough to squeeze in at the end of a big meal, and the crispy caramel top had the sugary hit that I was craving.

We left knowing we wouldn't need to eat for days, and guaranteeing we would soon be back.

Next time I'll stick to either a main meal or tapas though.

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2	HAWAIIAN Pineapple & Turkey	9.50	12.50	15.50
3	PEPPERONI FEAST Onion, Muchrooms & Pepperoni	9.50	12.50	15.50
4	OCEAN FEAST Tuna, Prawns, Anchovies & Tomatos	9.50	12.50	15.50
5	CHICKEN FEAST BBQ Sauce ,Plain Chicken, Mushrooms & Peppers	9.50	12.50	15.50
6	AMERICANA Onion, Pepperoni, Beef, Green Chillies & Peppers	9.50	12.50	15.50
7	MEXICANA Chicken Tikka, Jalepenos, Peppers, & Pineapple	9.50	12.50	15.50
8	TASTY VEGGIE Onion, Mushroom, Sweetcorn, Peppers, Olives & Tomatos	9.50	12.50	15.50
9	MEAT FEAST Beef, Pepperoni, Turkey & Chicken Tikka	9.50	12.50	15.50
10	TASTY SPECIAL Onion, Chiken, Green Chillies, Peppers & Tomatoes	10.00	13.00	16.00
11	TASTY FULL HOUSE Beef, Pepperoni, Peppers, Sweetcorn, Onion & Turkey	10.50	13.50	16.50
12	FREE CHOICE Choose 4 Toppings - Choose a Base from Tomato, BBQ, Garlic Mayo & Chilli	10.50	13.50	16.50
13	DONER PIZZA Doner Meat, Onions & Jalepenos	9.50	12.50	16.00
14	CORRIANDER TANDOORI CHICKEN Topping, Red Onion, Green Chilli, Tandoori Chicken, Garlic Sauce & Fresh Coriander	9.50	12.50	16.00
15	CHICKEN BBQ PIZZA BBQ base, Onion, Turkey Meat & BBQ Chicken	9.50	12.50	16.00
16	ORIENTAL EXPRESS Sweetcorn, Green Pepper, Chinese Chicken & Mushroom	9.50	12.50	16.00
17	STUFFED CRUST	90p	1.20	1.90
18	CHEESE & PEPPERONI STUFFED CRUST	1.00	1.30	2.00

SIDE ORDERS

Jalapino Cream Cheese. 6 pcs	£3.50
Breaded Mozzerella stick 8 pcs	£3.95
Garlic Bread 4 pcs	£1.70
Garlic Bread with Cheese 4pcs	£2.20
Potato Wedges 1 portion	£2.95
Potato twister 1 portion	£2.95
Onion Rings 10 pcs	£2.00

CHICKEN

Family Buckets:
1) 15 piece chicken, 4 fries with 1.5ltr coke £18.50
2) 18 piece chicken, 6 fries with 1.5ltr coke £21.50
3) 12 piece chicken, 4 fries with 1.5ltr coke £16.99

Hot n spicy chicken wings & fries & drink meal	£3.50
6 chicken nuggets & fries	£2.99
1 piece of chicken & fries	£1.99
2 pcs chicken & fries	£2.99
6 pcs chicken & 2 fries	£7.99

BURGERS

Chicken fillet burger	£2.50
¼ cheese burger	£2.50
½ cheese burger	£3.50
Veggie burger	£2.50
Egg Burger	£2.80

ROLLS

Chicken tikka roll	£4.50
Lamb Tikka Roll	£4.50
Mix roll	£5.00
Sheekh Roll	£4.50
Spicy chicken donner roll	£4.50
Lamb Donner Roll	£4.50
Donner meat & fries	£3.99

KEBABS

Chicken Tikka Kebab	£3.99
Lamb Tikka Kebab	£3.99
Sheesh Kebab	£3.99
Mixed chicken & lamb kebab	£3.99
Lamb donner kebab	£3.99

CHICKEN CURRY

Chicken Karahi	£5.99
Chicken Curry	£5.49
Chilli Chicken Masala	£5.49
Chicken Madras	£5.49
Chicken Jalfrazi	£5.49
Chicken Palak	£5.49
Chicken Chanay	£5.49
Chiken Korma	£5.99

All chicken curry also available in Lamb.

BIRYANI DISHES

Chicken Biryani	£5.50
Lamb Biryani	£5.50
Vegetable Biryani	£3.99
Kind Prawn Biryani	£6.99
Fish Biryani	£6.50
T.F.C Biryani	£6.99
Mushroom Biryani	£3.99
Chicken Tikka Biryani	£6.99
Lamb Tikka Biryani	£6.99

GRILL

Janghir Steam Roast	£4.99
Tandoori Lamb Chops	£3.99
Sheesh Kebab Portion (4)	£4.00
Chicken tikka	£3.99
Lamb Tikka	£3.99
Chicken Wings	£3.50
Grill Fish	£4.50
Meat & veggie samosa (2)	£1.40

T.F.C/ SPECIALS

Tandoori Lamb Chops Masala	£6.00
Lamb Tikka Masala	£5.50
Desi Murgh on bones	£7.99
Desi Lamb Karahi on bone (1kg)	£12.00
Chicken Ginger (1kg)	£10.00

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Appetisers

Starters	£5.60
Spare ribs, prawns on toast, seaweed & pancake rolls (for 2)	
BBQ Spare Ribs *(dry) (6pcs)*	£4.30
BBQ Spare Ribs with BBQ Sauce *(6pcs)*	£4.50
BBQ Spare Ribs with Sweet & Sour Sauce	£4.50
Caputal Spare Ribs	£4.50
Spicy Spare Ribs with Salt & Pepper	£4.50

Soup

'Oriental' Soup	£2.10
Wun Ton Soup	£2.20
Chicken & Sweetcorn Soup	£1.90

Satay Specials

Satay Chicken on Skewers *(4)* n	£4.30
Satay Prawns on Skewers *(4)* n	£5.30
Satay Beef on Skewers *(4)* n	£4.30

Seafood Selection

Stir Fried Seafood with Ginger & Spring Onions	£5.50
'Kung Pow' Prawns in Chilli Sauce	£5.30
Fried Crispy Prawn Balls in Batter *(10)*	£5.10
Fried Squid with Ginger & Spring Onions	£5.30

Poultry Dishes

'Kung Pow' Chicken with Chilli	£4.30
Chicken with Green Peppers in Black Bean Sauce	£4.30
Roast Chicken Chinese Style with Beansprouts	£4.30
Fried Shredded Chicken with Chilli	£4.30
Chicken with Onions in Satay Sauce n	£4.30
Chicken with Mixed Veg in Black Pepper Sauce	£4.30

Duck Dishes

Crispy Aromatic 'Szechuan' Duck
Entire duck cooked in a spicy marinade & fried until crispy. The wafer thin skin & meat to be rolled in a wheaten pancake with spring onions, julienne cucumber & hoi-sin sauce
Whole £24.40 Half £12.60 Quarter £6.90

Duck with Peking Sauce	£5.40
Duck with English Mushrooms	£5.40

Beef Selection

Grilled Beef Fillet Cantonese Style with Honey Sauce & Onions	£5.80
Fried Shredded Beef with Chilli	£4.30
Sliced Beef with Cashew Nuts n	£4.30
Sliced Beef with Tomatoes	£4.30
Sliced Beef with Chilli Szechuan Style	£4.60

Sweet & Sour Selection

Sweet & Sour Prawns *(Hong Kong Style)*	£5.30
Sweet & Sour Prawn Balls *(10)*	£5.30
Sweet & Sour Chicken *(Hong Kong Style)*	£4.30
Sweet & Sour Chicken Balls *(10)*	£4.20

Chop Suey Selection

Special Chop Suey	£4.00
King Prawn Chop Suey	£5.30
Shrimp Chop Suey	£5.10
Chicken Chop Suey	£5.10
Beef Chop Suey	£5.10

Rice Selection

'Oriental' House Special with Fried Rice	£4.80	Shredded Chicken Fried Rice	£3.60
Mixed Seafood with Fried Rice	£5.30	Duck Fried Rice	£5.40
Special Fried Rice	£3.90	Singapore Fried Rice	£4.00
King Prawn Fried Rice	£5.10	Pineapple Fried Rice V	£3.70
Shrimp Fried Rice	£3.60	Mixed Vegetable Fried Rice V	£3.40
Roast Pork Fried Rice	£3.60	Egg Fried Rice V	£3.00

Chow Mein

'Oriental' House Special with Fried Noodles	£4.80	Roast Pork Chow Mein	£3.60
Sliced Roasted Pork with Fried Noodles	£4.50	Shredded Chicken Chow Mein	£3.60
Mixed Seafood with Fried Noodles	£5.30	Mixed Vegetable Chow Mein V	£3.60
Special Chow Mein	£3.90	Plain Chow Mein with Beansprouts V	£3.00
King Prawn Chow Mein	£5.10	Special Chow Mein Singapore Style V	£3.00
Duck Chow Mein	£5.40	Special Chow Mein Cantonese Style	£4.00
Shrimp Chow Mein	£3.60	Beef Chow Mein	£4.30

Vegetarian Selection

Spicy Salt & Pepper Bean Curd V	£3.50	Mixed Vegetables in Black Pepper Sauce V	£2.80
Monks Mixed Vegetable Bean Curd V	£3.80	Fried Mange Tout with Baby Corn in Garlic Sauce V	£3.70
Sweet & Sour Mixed Vegetables V	£3.40	Mixed Vegetables V	£2.80
Mixed Vegetables with Bean Curd & Cashew Nuts in Yellow Bean Sauce V	£3.70	Fried Chinese Mushrooms & Bamboo Shoots V	£3.00
		Fried Beansprouts V	£2.50
		Mushroom Chow Mein V	£3.40
		Mushroom Fried Rice V	£3.40

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TASTE LIFE

MURRAYS AT WHITTLEBURY HALL

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Review by David Gale

IF you are looking for a meal with that special something then you should definitely try out Murrays at Whittlebury Hall.

This fine dining restaurant already boasts 2 AA Rosettes for its food set in a perfect relaxing atmosphere inside this sprawling hotel and spa.

Now under the guide of new Head Chef Christian Morris it is hoping to pick up a clutch of new awards.

His new modern British menu is an absolute delight.

To begin I chose the terrine of foie gras, free range chicken, homemade brioche and shallot jam (£14)

Fine dining is all about the visual as well as the taste and Chef Morris did not disappoint on either with this dish. My wife chose the seared diver scallops, cauliflower puree, florets and a light chicken jus (£14)

She told me that the scallops were the best she had eaten at a restaurant and the cauliflower puree a delightful accompaniment.

I had a real problem deciding on the mains as I could have plumped for all of the dishes without hesitation.

I finally opted for the Casterbridge fillet of beef with horseradish risotto, port reduction and rosti potato (£26). I was not disappointed with the beef, which I ordered rare, it was the star of the show and quite right too. The port reduction added a little something alongside the

risotto but the beef was worth the price alone.

My wife is a big lamb fan and quickly decided upon the locally reared Long Buckby lamb loin with basil mousse, baby spinach, fondant potato and a thyme jus (£25) The lamb was beautiful and pink and really worked with the mousse, it also looked an absolute treat on the plate.

A further visit would have seen me go for the assiette of tame rabbit with wild mushrooms, baby vegetables and potato puree or possibly the grilled whole lemon sole, saffron potatoes and a lemon and caper beurre noisette.

Both of us were full by the time we came to the finale and opted for a selection of British cheese served with chutney, celery and biscuits (£15) For that you got an excellent choice of five different cheeses including a stilton and goats cheese presented on a charming slate plate.

I noticed the prune and Armagnac souffle with its own ice cream was proving popular as was the warm chocolate fondant with pistachio ice cream.

The meal was a real treat. If you are looking for that special experience, quality food in a quality environment and all only a short drive or taxi ride from Milton Keynes then I cannot recommend this restaurant highly enough. After all you could always stay the night and enjoy the spa facilities too!

SONGWRITING WORKSHOPS

A SONGWRITING workshop is taking place at two venues across the city this week.

Association for Oral Traditionalist and Songwriting is hosting events in Stony Stratford and Bradwell Village for local songwriters to show off their talents in workshops.

The week long workshops will include small-group tutorials, co-writing exercises, informal lectures, open mics and concerts.

All daytime activities for the songwriting workshop will take place at the Bradwell Village Youth Hostel - the price for the week for non-residents is £250.

The week includes a one day workshop and concert on Saturday, which features Boo Hewerdine, writer of hits for Natalie Imbruglia and Eddie Reader, who will be giving a master class in the afternoon before the evening concert.

The price for the one-day workshop and gig is £60, with entry to the evening gig available separately for £10.

There are a limited number of £10 passes which allow entry to all the evening events on a first-come-first-served basis.

Events will take place every night from August 19-26 at the Bull Hotel in Stony Stratford.

For more information log-on to www.myspace.com/songwritingu k or call 07801796216.

BLETCHELY PARK

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE

The Chapterhouse Theatre Company

Sunday, August 22 7.30pm

Grounds open 5.30pm

"IF you prick us, do we not bleed? If you tickle us, do we not laugh? If you poison us, do we not die? And if you wrong us, shall we not revenge?"

The Chapterhouse Theatre Company is bringing Shakespeare's The Merchant of Venice to life beneath the stars this summer in their open-air theatre.

Picnic with family and friends in the grounds of Bletchley Park as the players of Chapterhouse Theatre Company tell the tale of mystery, drama, romance and comedy as they perform The Merchant of Venice on August 22 at 7.30pm, with the grounds open for picnics at 5.30pm.

The Merchant of Venice is recognised as one of Shakespeare's most exciting plays in which the love for money and human passion collide. The play also brings forth questions of sexuality, racism and violence - confronting modern-day issues with an Elizabethan play.

Entry for adults costs £12, for children £8 and £35 for families. There is also a 10 per cent discount for parties of 10 or more. For more information call Bletchley Park on 01908 640404 or visit ww.bletchleypark.org.uk To find tickets visit www.seetickets.com

FELT AND GLASS

ARTWORKS-MK

Felted Bags and Fused Glass Workshops.

Parklands, Great Linford.

Saturday, August 21.

Felted Bags with Tracey Clarke

FELTING is the technique of using your hands to agitate wool strands to make them knit together to form a strong material (felt), which can then be moulded and shaped.

Experiment with colour blends and add embellishment to create a small bag.

A really fun workshop and so easy to do at home with friends and family. Great for young people too.

The workshop runs 10am-4pm and costs £48.

Fused Glass with Helen Slater

A RETURN for this very popular workshop, where Helen will take you through kiln forming techniques used in contemporary glasswork.

Learn about glass compatibility and their properties and combining glass with other materials like metal you will produce jewellery, a window hanging or a panel.

The workshop runs 10am-4pm and costs £53.

For further details about about both workshops log on to www.artworks-mk.co.uk or call 01908 608108.

MARMADUKE (U)
Owen Wilson, George Lopez, Fergie
From Friday
LEAPING from the comic strip, clumsy but lovable Great Dane Marmaduke is about to have his world turned upside down. When his owner Phil lands a marketing job with an organic pet food company in California, 'the Duke' finds himself being air freighted to Orange Country.

THE EXPENDABLES (15)
Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham, Jet Li
From Friday
ACTION thriller about the ultimate mercenary crew on the ultimate mission to overthrow murderous dictator General Gaza. Barney and Christmas learn their true enemy is rogue ex-CIA man James Monroe and his henchman.

SALT (12A)
Angelina Jolie, Liev Schreiber, Chiwetel Ejiofor
From Friday
Evelyn Salt (Jolie) is a CIA agent brought in to handle a routine interrogation of a Russian defector. He insists that a Russian spy is heading to New York to assassinate the US President.

PIRANHA 3D
Ving Rhames, Jessica Szohr, Steven R McQueen
From Friday
the population of sleepy Lake Victoria explodes from 5,000 to 50,000 for spring break, a riot of sun and drunken fun. But a sudden underwater tremor sets free scores of prehistoric man-eating piranha fish.

Marmaduke

THE ILLUSIONIST
Jean-Claude Donda, Edith Rankin
From Friday
Edinburgh becomes the star of this beautiful new animated film. Based on a script by French comic genius Jacques Tati this is a poignant and delightful tale of an unlikely friendship.

THE SORCERER'S APPRENTICE
Nicolas Cage, Teresa Palmer, Jay Baruchel, Toby Kebbell, Alfred Molina
From Friday
DISCOVERING an unforeseen talent for magic, science geek Dave Stutler is unwittingly apprenticed to an ancient sorcerer in the midst of battling his great rival across the streets of modern-day Manhattan.

BLACK DYNAMITE
Salli Richardson-Whitfield, Arsenio Hall, Michael Jai White
From Friday
RIFFING off 70s Blaxploitation thrillers, Black Dynamite ('60,000 volts of black power') stars Michael Jai White as a ghetto hero going toe-to-toe with 'The Man' who is pumping heroin into local orphanages.

WIN CINEMA TICKETS

MK NEWS has teamed up with Cineworld at the Xscape to offer readers the chance to win a pair of tickets to see the film of their choice.

Just tell us what is the name of Marmaduke's owner?
Answers by e-mail to:
competitions@mk-news.co.uk

Please include your name, address and daytime telephone number. Closing date Tuesday, August 24. Editor's decision final.

DAILY LIFE

SATURDAY
OPEN Air Film Festival. Campbell Park. 3.30pm. Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. 7.30pm Dirty Dancing. Free.

SUNDAY
NO Hot Ashes. Lin's Bar at Woughton Leisure Centre. Rock band with favourite covers old and new. Families welcome 1-4pm. Free.

WAGGY 'Fitness' Walk Improve you and your dog's fitness. Car park, Merlewood Drive, V2, Shenley Wood. 10-11.30am. £1/dog

OPEN Air Film Festival. Campbell Park. 3.30pm Finding Nemo. 7.30pm Singin' in the Rain. Free.

MONDAY
CIRCUS Skills. Memorial Hall Great Linford. Join the Great Gappo and Mark for laughter and a juggling good time as you learn a range of circus skills. All ages welcome. 2-4pm. £1.

TUESDAY
WET'N'WILD. Learn about water loving animals. Campbell Park. 10.30am-1pm. £3.

WEDNESDAY
PUSHCHAIRS in the Park. Mud pies, rustic crafts and woodland investigation. Campbell Park 10am-3pm. Free.

MEMORIAL Hall Great Linford. Dance. Jazz based dance classes. Ages 6-10. Wear trainers or dance shoes. 2-3pm. £1. Drama. Creative drama classes with a professional teacher for 6-10 year olds. 3.15-4.15pm. £1.

WOODLAND Play. Woodland crafts and play activities in Linford Wood with MK Play association. Park at Enfield Chase or reckland, V7. 2-4pm. Free.

Leisure or events news? e-mail **david.gale@mk-news.co.uk** | phone **01908 689595**

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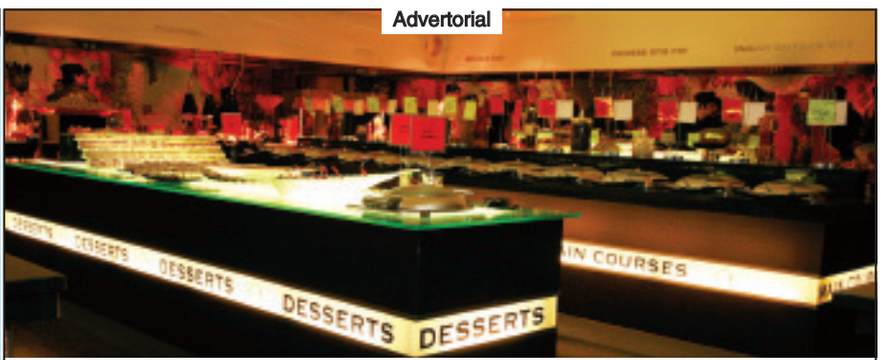
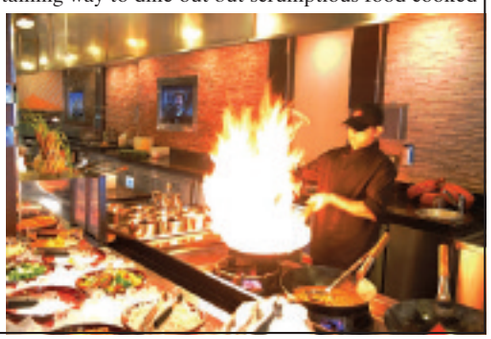


Red Hot World Buffet is the ultimate choice of restaurant for any family arguing over that perennial problem of 'where should we go for dinner or lunch'. If one fancies a pizza, you're craving a curry and your friend prefers a Chinese then you've found the right place as the Red Hot World Buffet offers a delicious array of cuisines from around the world all under one roof. Included on the diverse menu are Chinese, Indian, Mexican, Cajun, Japanese and Thai dishes, with more than 120 different available at any time. You can mix and match cuisine, eat as much or as little as you can and all for one price. look out for the refreshing cocktails too. Red Hot World Buffet is a restaurant that raises the bar for buffets anywhere in the UK. Not only is the food varied, but the decor is striking and luxurious - and located at the theatre District Milton Keynes it couldn't be more handy for that perfect meal after a trip to the Theatre, a night out at the cinema or a meal straight from work. And while the restaurant is renowned for its variety it also prides itself on quality. The food is prepared using fresh ingredients and the live cooking stations not only provide an entertaining way to dine out but scrumptious food cooked before your eyes. The Japanese noodle bar, fruit flambe and pasta stations are increasingly popular along with the dessert options for anyone with a sweet tooth. Specialities include the fresh ice cream made in-house at the bakery station which is not to be missed. Look out for the "NEW KIDS COUNTER" which includes Chicken Nuggets, Sausages, Sweet corn and Burgers until the end of summer for the lunch time slots. Red Hot World Buffet "Your world on a plate"



MKANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays

Happy 18th Birthday

Mikey

Love You Loads
Mam, Russ, Bradley and Cooper
xxxxx

TOM HIGGS

Happy 80th Birthday
15th August
Love from Joyce, Tracy, Dave, Mark, Lisa, Cody, Emily and Alexis xxx

JOHN CARTER

Happy 70th Birthday
Love from Doreen, Jackie, Martyn, Martin, Annabelle and Vanessa x

VERA BOWYER
Happy 90th Birthday
We hope you had a great day,
13th August 2010
With love from us all, Terry, Barry, Jeanette, Ruby, Steve, Cyril, Joanne, Philip, Nicky, Pearl, Doug,12 Grandchildren & all Great Grandchildren,
We all love you
xxxxxxxxxx

Alessia Lowe
18
16th August 2010
Mum, Dad Lianna, Giorgia & Lui

CRAIG HAMMOND

Happy 21st Birthday
Hope you have a great day!
Love you always and forever Keeley xxx

MATTHEW JAMES GILES

Happy 21st Birthday
15th August
Love from Mum, Dad, Scott, Thomas, Nan and Grandad
xx

KATY WHIFFIN
Happy 18th Birthday
16th August 2010

Lots of love from Mum, Dad & Chris

FRANCESCA WATSON

Happy 21st Birthday.
16th August.
Lots of love from your little boy Rheo, Mum, Dad, Daniella, Valentina and Nonna

MICHELLE BURGOYNE

Happy 40th Birthday
14th August 2010
Have a great day
Love Mum, Dad and all the family

JOHN CARTER

Happy 70th Birthday
Love from Doreen, Jackie, Martyn, Martin, Annabelle and Vanessa x

KATIE WALLACE
Happy 12th Birthday

With lots of love Dad, Mum, Ben & Hannah
x x x

MKNEWS Births

JAMIE & JACKIE HOLMES
A precious gift of a Daughter,
SOPHIE ALEXANDRA
Born on the 30th July.
Congratulations from both families

Engagements

JOY CARTER & PAUL FORDHAM
Many congratulations to you both on your engagement today.
Love and good wishes
From all the family.

Marriages

RUTH LAVENDER & CHRISTIAN BENEVENTO

Are delighted to announce they married on the 7th August 2010.
Thank you to both families.

Anniversaries

Diamond Wedding

THOMAS NEVILLE & ELEANOR MAY GRIFFTHS

Diamond Wedding Anniversary
17th August 2010
Congratulations & Love from Carolyn, Matthew, Anna, Jackie, Xander & Mia

CAROL & PUCH LIBERTUCCI

Happy Silver Wedding Anniversary

Love from Mum and all the family.

Enjoy your cruise

In Memoriam

GREENE Alistair Died tragically Monday August 11th 1986. We are doing as you would wish. We are smiling because you were here, not crying because you have gone. Always thinking of you. God Bless. Mum and Dad.

ALISON HARDWICK
Dearly missed, thought of daily.
All our love always Dad, Mum, Nicholas, Berrelle and all the family.

In Memoriam

First Anniversary of
JUNE GOGGIN
13th June 1944 - 15th August 2009
On that day you were taken from our home,
you did not go on your own,
part of me went with you and
I want you to know,
I love you, miss you every hour,
every minute of every day.
God bless you
Husband John and baby coco

JUNE GOGGIN
15.08.2009
There isn't a day goes by when I don't think of you.
My sister and my best friend.
Until we meet again.
All my love Kim
Also lovingly missed by Mark, Craig, Lindsay, Mandy, Louise and Kimberley
xx RIP Our Juney xx

DAVINE STUART
13th August 2003
In loving memory of our daughter and sister.
Love always
Dad, Pam, Steven, Laura and Austen.

NOEL WHITWORTH
13th August 1990
As the months pass and the seasons change something of tranquillity descends and although the well-remembered footstep will not sound again, nor the voice call from the room beyond, there seems to be about one in the air an atmosphere of love, a living presence.
God bless you Noel.
Mum, Dad, Melanie & Joanne

HALLIDAY Dick Died 19.08.2002. Your memory we treasure, with thoughts that are dear, we think of you always, not just once a year. Our love always. Doris and 'our family'

WHITWORTH Noel With us always, not in shadow but in love's memory. Kath, Graham and Family

WHITWORTH Remembering with love Noel. A dear Grandson. God bless. Gramps

LILIAN STUBBINGS
10/08/2009
Always in our thoughts with loving memories.
Cliff, Kate, Dave, Carol, Pete, Mary, Family and Friends

JUNE GOGGIN
13th June 1944 -
15th August 2009
Loved and missed every day by
Doris, Neil and Anne

BERT HILLS
16.08.09
A year has gone by since we said goodbye. Always remembered with love and respect.
Nigel, Sharon, Sammy and Taylor

ALISON HARDWICK
We speak your name every day, never forgotten.
Mum, Dad, Berrelle and all the family.

PETER AMES
In loving memory of a much loved husband, dad and grandad.
Love you always.
Sheila x

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Jane & Joe
Are delighted to announce the birth of their Grandaughter on 4th March 2009

OR

Congratulations

Jane & Joe Smith
On your Wedding Anniversary
All our love
Jenny & John

OR

James Smith
Happy 5th BIRTHDAY
10th January 2009
Lots of love Mum & Dad
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LOUGHTON

This stunning detached executive residence is enviably located in one of Milton Keynes' premier locations on Redland Drive in Loughton.

The property offers extremely flexible accommodation and can be used as a house with six receptions or with annexed accommodation.

Internally this property briefly comprises lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, family room, study, sun room, utility and downstairs cloakroom.

Upstairs there are three double bedrooms and a family bathroom

The master incorporates an en suite and dressing area.

In the annex accommodation there is a self contained kitchen, lounge, bedroom and bathroom with ample storage units.

This house sits on a very generous plot and boasts a private gravel driveway with parking for numerous vehicles in front of the detached double garage.

Outside is a beautiful rear garden offering maximum privacy.

Price £750,000

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Willen £525,000

•Enviably located five bedroom detached executive residence
•Situated on a generous plot •Boasts private entrance to a substantial block paved driveway •Triple garage
•Mature gardens to the rear which are not over looked
•Generous high ceiling lounge, substantial dining room, study, 20ft kitchen/breakfast room, •Large utility, downstairs cloakroom •Two with en suites, dressing room to the master and family bathroom. To avoid disappointment call 01908 240981 to book an internal viewing now.

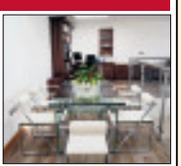
Kingsmead £410,000

•Popular four bedroom detached executive residence
•Boasts gated access to a private driveway leading to a detached double garage
•Beautifully maintained gardens of a westerly orientation
•Amazing 21' kitchen/breakfast/family room, 21' lounge, dining room, utility, cloakroom
•Four double bedrooms, all with built in wardrobes, with two en suites, family bathroom and dressing room to the master bedroom.

Moulsoe £550,000

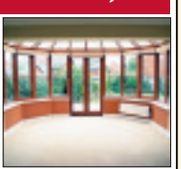
•Secluded and well screened four/five bedroom detached residence
•Situated on a good sized plot and is approached via a long gravel driveway
•24ft family room/office •21ft lounge
•Kitchen/breakfast room •Conservatory •Dining room
•Luxurious family bathroom with Jacuzzi whirlpool bath •En-suite
•Gardens to front and rear •Extensive off road parking and double garage.

Caldecotte £400,000



•Well presented two bedroom luxury penthouse apartment
•Situated in a sought after location
•This fantastic apartment over looks Caldecotte lake
•Open plan kitchen/lounge/diner
•Two double bedrooms
•En-suites to both bedrooms

Monkston £375,000



•Well presented 5 bedroom detached property
•3 reception rooms
•Conservatory
•En suite to master bedroom
•Driveway and double garage
•Offered with no upper chain
•Internal viewing is highly recommended.

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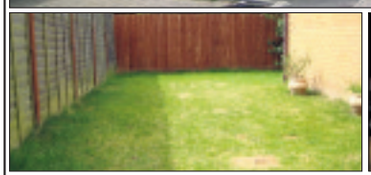
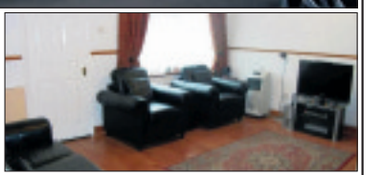
Grange Farm — OIEO £169,995



- Two Bedrooms
- Cul de Sac Location
- Gardens
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- Driveway & Garage

Furzton — Guide Price £165,000



- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom Terrace
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Garage

Milton Keynes — £329,995

- Four Bedrooms
- Separate Annexe
- Cloakroom
- Lounge
- Refitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Double Garage

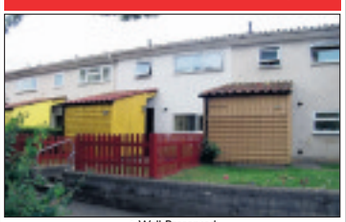
Blakelands — OIEO £325,000

- 4/5 Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Utility Room
- En Suite & Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage
- Self Contained Annex

Giffard Park — £132,000

- Semi detached property
- 80% shared ownership
- Two bedrooms
- Lounge/diner
- Kitchen
- Gardens to front and rear
- Allocated parking

Heelands — £150,000



- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom
- Terraced
- Cloakroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Allocated Parking
- No Upper Chain

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Woburn Sands £239,995

• Very Well Presented
• Three Bedroom Semi Detached
• En Suite to Master
• Rear Garden
• Off Road Parking

Greenleys Guide Price £200,000

• Detached
• Three Bedrooms
• One Reception Room
• Conservatory
• Refitted Cloakroom
• Refitted Kitchen
• Refitted Bathroom
• Rear Garden

Wolverton OIEO £164,995

•Victorian Style Property
•Three Bedrooms
•Gas Central Heating
•Lounge/Diner with Bay Window
•Front and Rear Gardens
•Garage

Hodge Lea £135,000

• Two Bedroom Apartment
• Lounge with Balcony
• Kitchen/Diner
• Bathroom
• Ensuite

Wolverton £120,000

• Two Bedrooms
• Apartment
• Double Glazing
• Gas Central Heating
• Master Bedroom with Ensuite
• NO UPPER CHAIN

Furzton £332,500

• Well Presented
• Four Bedroom Detached Property
• En Suite To Master
• Double Garage
• Must Be viewed!

Bancroft Park OIEO £215,000

•Kitchen
•Dining Room
•Lounge
•Shower Room
•Ensuite Bathroom
•Bathroom
•Front & Rear Garden

Stacey Bushes OIEO £130,000

• Three Bedrooms
• Double Glazing
• Gas Central Heating
• Garden
• Off Road Parking

Greenleys OIEO £160,000

•Semi Detached
•Three Bedroom
•Double Glazed
•Gas Radiator Heating
•Stunning Garden
•Garage
•Viewing Recommended

Wolverton OIEO £140,000

• Two Bedrooms
• Victorian Property
• Terraced
• Loft Room
• Garage
• Garden

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Racecourses £207,500

- Detached
- Three bedrooms
- Gardens
- Driveway
- Garage

Stanbridge £400,000

- Detached chalet bungalow
- Three/four bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Garage

Leighton Buzzard £175,000

- Detached Bungalow
- Two bedrooms
- Cul de sac location
- Double glazing
- Central heating
- Gardens
- Parking

Bletchley Guide Price £350,000

- Detached
- Four bedrooms
- Built circa 1927
- Driveway
- Garage

Bletchley £339,950

- Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Driveway
- Garage

Leighton Buzzard Offers In Excess Of £103,000

- Well presented
- One bedroom flat
- Double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Communal gardens
- Allocated parking

Leighton Buzzard

- Detached
- Five Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Established Gardens
- Driveway
- Double Garage

Bletchley £229,995

- Extended semi detached
- Three bedrooms
- Double bay fronted
- Gardens
- Driveway
- Garage

Linslade £229,995

- Semi detached
- Well presented
- Spacious
- Two bedrooms
- Rear garden
- Garage

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Leighton Buzzard

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens

Leighton Buzzard £105,000

- Inner terrace
- Three bedrooms
- Spacious
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Gardens

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Oxley Park £245,000

• Terraced
• Four Bedrooms
• Two Reception Rooms
• En Suite
• Garden
• Garage

Westcroft Guide Price £230,000

• Semi Detached
• Five Bedrooms
• One Reception Room
• En Suite
• Garage
• Garden
• Off Road Parking

Stony Stratford £164,950

• Three Bedrooms
• Two Reception Rooms
• Refitted Bathroom
• Garage
• Garden
• Off Road Parking

Deanshanger £165,000

• Terraced Cottage
• Three Bedroom
• Refitted Kitchen
• Refitted Bathroom
• One Reception Room
• Garden Room
• Garden
• No Upper Chain

Crownhill Guide Price £170,000

• Semi Detached
• Three Bedroom
• One Reception Room
• Garden
• Off Road Parking

Emerson Valley Guide Price £205,000

• Semi Detached
• Three Bedroom
• Lounge
• Dining Room
• Kitchen
• En suite Shower Room
• Family Bathroom
• Rear Garden

Castlethorpe £112,500

• Well Presented
• One Bedroom
• Second Floor Flat
• Refitted Kitchen
• Refitted Bathroom
• Viewing Recommended

Stony Stratford Guide Price £165,000

• Individual Victorian Style Property
• Sash Style Windows
• Kitchen • Lounge/Diner
• Garden
• No Upper Chain
• Viewing is a Must!

Shenley Church End £157,500

• Two bedroom
• Semi detached property
• Popular residential area
• Kitchen
• Lounge
• Rear garden and driveway

Emerson Valley £145,000

• Maisonette
• Two Bedrooms
• One Reception Room
• Off Road parking

Stony Stratford £210,000

• Three Bedrooms
• Double Glazing
• Two Reception Rooms
• Garden
• No Upper Chain

Yardley Gobion £180,000

• Three bedrooms
• Double glazing
• Gas to radiator heating
• Conservatory
• Garage
• No upper chain

Furzton £155,000

• Two bedroom
• Link detached bungalow
• Popular residential area
• Kitchen/diner • Shower room
• Front and rear gardens
• Driveway

Oxley Park Guide Price £139,000

• Townhouse
• One bedroom
• Kitchen/diner
• Off road parking

Stony Stratford £160,000

• Well presented Victorian property
• Two bedrooms
• Re-fitted kitchen
• Lounge
• Dining room
• No upper chain

Old Stratford £225,000

• Semi Detached
• Three Bedrooms
• Refitted Bathroom
• Refitted Kitchen
• Two Reception Rooms
• Garden
• Off Road Parking

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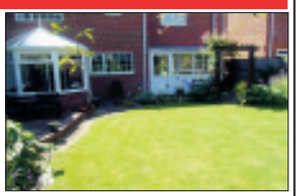
Newport Pagnell — £250,000

NEW PRICE



- Four bedrooms
- Garage/utility room
- Conservatory
- Ensuite to master bedroom
- Off road parking
- Front and rear gardens

Olney — £199,995

NEW PRICE

- Semi detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Lounge and dining room
- Gardens to front and rear
- Single garage and off road parking

Lavendon — £159,995

- Two Bedroom Terraced House
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Front & Rear Garden
- Allocated Parking

Newport Pagnell — £127,500

NEW INSTRUCTION

- One Bedroom
- Ground Floor Apartment
- Lounge/Diner/Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Off Road Parking

Olney — £99,995

- One Bedroom
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom

Bozeat — £240,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom Detached Property
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Two Reception Rooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Salford — £450,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

- Two Bedroom Detached Property
- Boot/Cloakroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Refitted Kitchen
- Detached Double Garage
- Gardens of approx 1/2 acre

Lavendon — £170,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom
- End of Terrace
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking

Carlton — £279,995

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Three Reception Rooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Garage
- Garden
- Off Road parking

Newport Pagnell — £210,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

- Extended Three Bedroom Semi Detached
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner/Family Room
- Refitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Downstairs Cloak/Shower Room
- Refitted Bathroom
- Conservatory

Bozeat — £155,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Conservatory
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens

Lavendon — £169,995

- Stone Built Character Cottage
- Two Bedrooms
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- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Views Over Countryside

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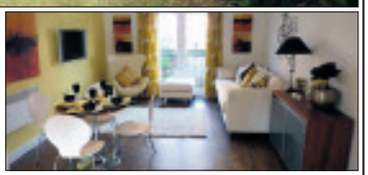

Luxury apartments with separate kitchen and large living rooms, most with Juliet balconies. Bedrooms are doubles and the master bedrooms have en-suites and wardrobes. The development lies within walking distance of Leighton Buzzard train station and all the town centre shops and amenities. Peace and quiet with canal to one side and park to other. Allocated parking available. HURRY LAST CHANCE TO BUY!!!

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FOUR BED DETACHED FACING OPEN SPACE £299,000

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DECEPTIVELY LARGE VILLAGE HOME £375,000

A rarely available, brand new 4 bedroom detached house. The accommodation boasts generous room sizes, including 2 en suites. Throughout the property as well as outside there is high specification. Part of this development of just 3 non estate homes is in the heart of the village. This popular village offers a variety of amenities and schooling for all ages. Access to Buckingham/ Milton Keynes is excellent. Call today to arrange a viewing.

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• Garden
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• Two bedroom property
• The property has just been repainted
• Lounge/diner
• Kitchen
• Garage
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• Lounge
• Double bedrooms and bathroom
• Available now!

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• Two double bedroom top floor apartment
• Situated in the historic area of Bletchley Park
• Two large double bedrooms
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• Access to a communal garden
• Allocated parking and a balcony
• Walking distance to the train station so is ideal for commuters
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Drayton Parslow £800pcm

• Three bedroom semi-detached property
• Situated in the picturesque village of Drayton Parslow
• Downstairs toilet
• Lounge • Dining room • Kitchen
• Front and rear gardens
• Garage
• Offered furnished and is available from end September 2010

Bletchley £795pcm

• Refurbished three bedroom detached property
• New kitchen, lounge/diner, new bathroom
• New decoration throughout
• Garden and garage
• Offered unfurnished and will be available from end September
• Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924!

Campbell Park £800pcm

• Two double bedroom apartment
• Lounge/diner
• Kitchen
• Offered furnished and available from end September
• An internal viewing is highly recommended
• Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to arrange a viewing!

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• Situated at the much sought after 'VIZION DEVELOPMENT' area of Central Milton Keynes
• Offered furnished
• Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to arrange a viewing

Wolverton £925pcm

• Well presented four bedroom property
• Off road parking and gardens
• Large separate reception rooms
• Refitted kitchen
• Located in close proximity to Wolverton train station
• Available now!!!

Oxley Park £1,200pcm

• Four bedroom detached property
• Lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room
• Downstairs toilet
• Ensuite to master
• Garden and garage
• Offered unfurnished and is available immediately
• Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to arrange a viewing!!

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• 5 Bedroom detached property
• Situated in the 'Highly Desirable' location of Loughton
• The property is unfurnished and available from mid September 2010
• Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

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• 'Well Presented' 5 bedroom detached Property
• Situated in the popular Westcroft area of Milton Keynes
• The property is unfurnished and available immediately
• Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Monkston £1,500pcm

• Well presented 5 Bedroom detached property
• 5 Double bedrooms, 4 Bathrooms, 3 Receptions
• Kitchen/Diner with utility room
• Generous rear garden and a double garage with off street parking
• The property is available with some items of furniture and is available immediately. • Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

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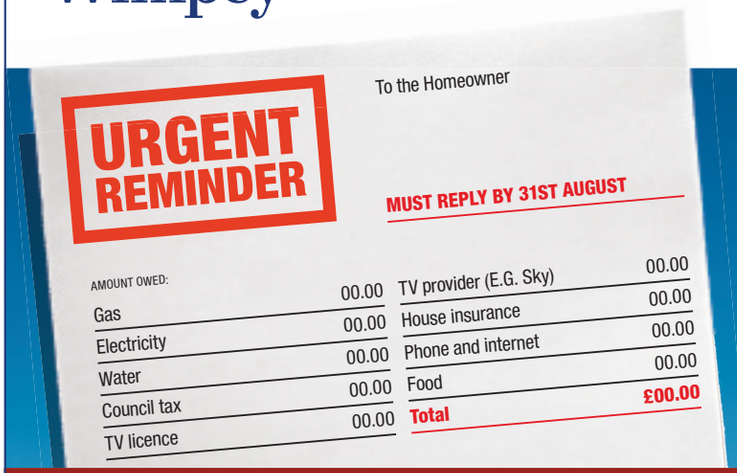

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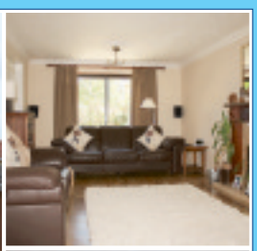
Wolverton Mill £205,000

A four bedroom townhouse built by Messrs Bloor Homes in 2006 and offered for sale in very good condition. The property has two ensuite shower rooms as well as a family bathroom and downstairs cloakroom. The kitchen/diner has built in appliances, a tiled floor and French doors to the garden. £500 cash back on completion.

Two Mile Ash £259,995

A four bedroom detached property situated within a cul-de-sac. The property is being offered with immediate vacant possession and is presented in excellent condition. It has been extended to the rear and side, adding a family room and a store area. The kitchen, bathroom, ensuite and cloakroom have all been refitted and PVCu double glazing installed.



Deanshanger £325,000

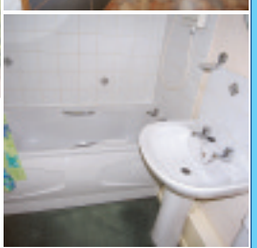
A four bedroom detached property offered for sale in excellent condition and situated in the highly desirable village of Deanshanger. The property has three separate reception rooms all laid with Amtico flooring and a kitchen/breakfast room with built in appliances. Upstairs there are 4 bedrooms, three of which have built in wardrobes with the master having an ensuite shower room as well. To the front there is a good sized block paved driveway which leads to the detached double garage.

Blue Bridge £189,995

A two bedroom detached bungalow, situated within a small cul-de-sac, backing onto trees. The property has a garage, a conservatory and is offered for sale with vacant possession. Secondary double glazing has been installed, the kitchen has been refitted and a new shower room fitted.

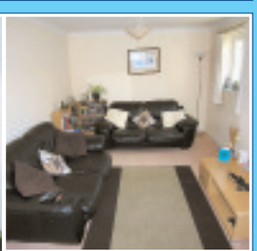
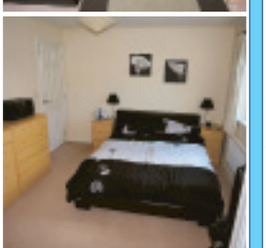
Great Holm £189,950

A three bedroom semi detached property which is, in our opinion presented in excellent condition throughout. The kitchen and bathroom have been refitted, PVCu double glazing installed and a conservatory added to the rear. The property has a separate dining room and a single garage to the side.



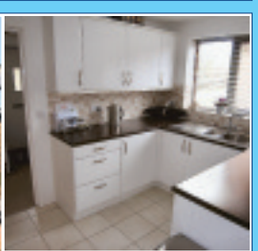
Browns Wood £89,995

A one bedroom ground floor apartment which is one of eight situated within this purpose built block. The property is double glazed and has a fitted kitchen with built in oven and hob, allocated parking and electric heating. The accommodation briefly comprises; entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom. The property is being offered for sale with vacant possession.

Kingsmead £244,995

A three bedroom detached property offered for sale with no upper chain. The property has a kitchen/diner, an ensuite shower room and a downstairs cloakroom. There is a driveway providing parking and leading to a garage.

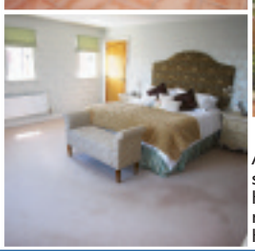


Broughton £249,995

A very well presented townhouse with a garage to the rear. On the top two floors there are four bedrooms, two of which are ensuite and a family bathroom. The ground floor accommodation comprises; entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen, utility room and a second reception room currently used as a dining room.

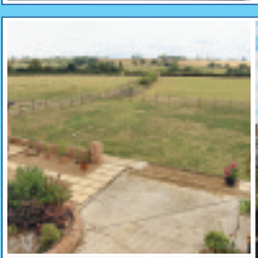
Aspley Heath £995,000

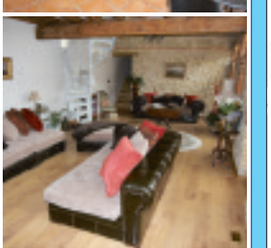
A substantial detached property situated at the end of Church Road, diagonally opposite the woods. The current owners have extended the property to create versatile accommodation. There is potential for a ground floor annexe and a first floor bedroom suite comprising of three rooms and a shower room. A refurbishment programme has been started with all bathrooms having been refitted. There is however scope for further improvement with the kitchen in particular having potential for enlarging and refitting.



Broughton £650,000

A five bedroom detached property offered for sale in fantastic condition and situated in Broughton Village with a large open area to the front. The property has 4 reception rooms and 3 ensuite shower rooms and a large kitchen/breakfast room that overlooks the private garden to the rear. The master bedroom also has a dressing area and all bedrooms have fitted wardrobes.





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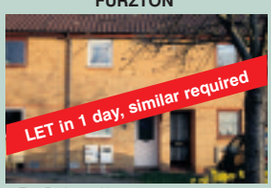

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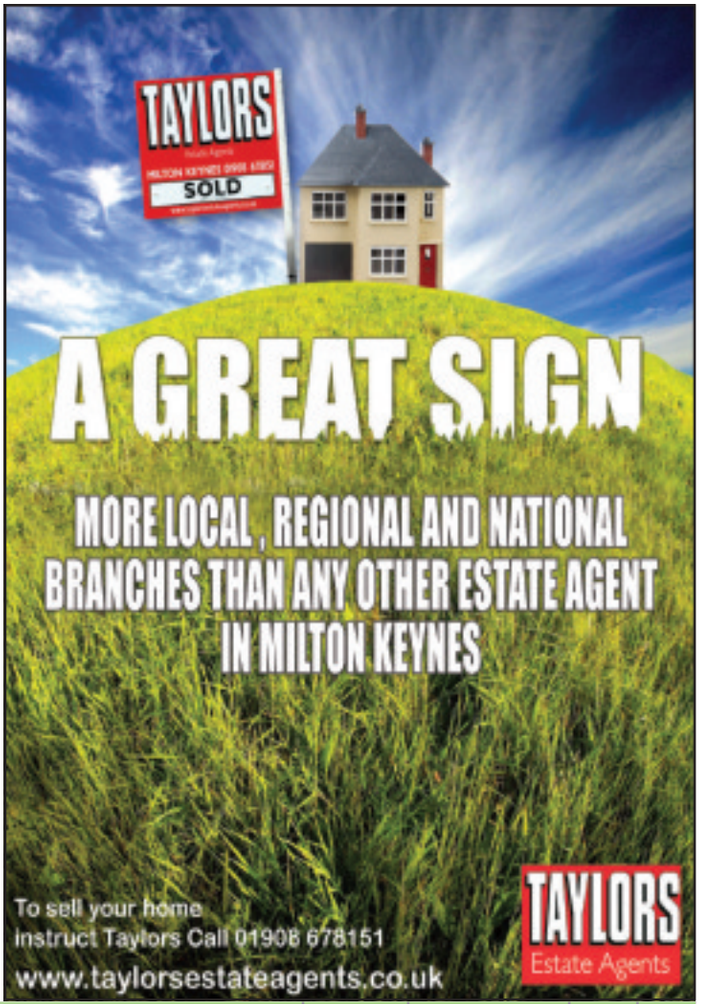

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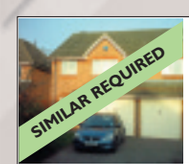

Oldbrook
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- Unfurnished
- En-Suite Shower
- Driveway Parking
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Emerson Valley
- One Bedroom
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- Parking
- Available Now

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Wolverton
- Two Double Bedrooms
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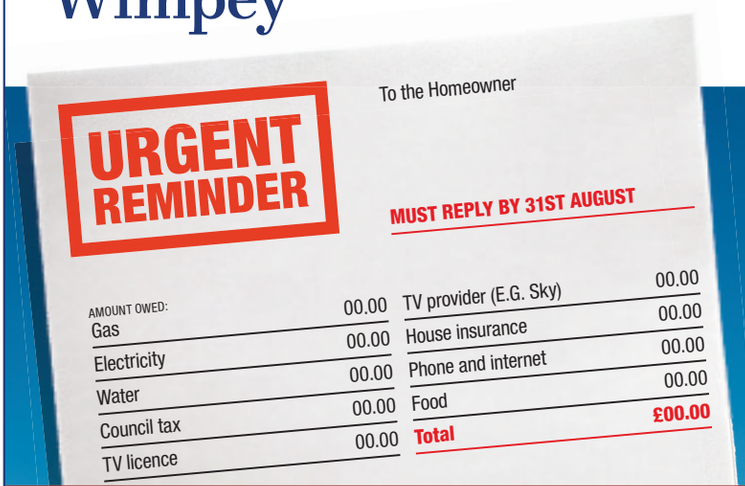

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Service Co-ordinator
£28,636 - £33,661 **Ref: 50017900/MKN**

Your experience of supporting people with learning disabilities will be vital in this service development role. Sharing responsibility for the service delivery, you will manage senior staff and co-ordinate day-to-day operational issues. Skilled at motivating others, you will also have experience of developing policy and procedures.

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Interview date: 24 September 2010.

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Interview date: 29 September 2010.

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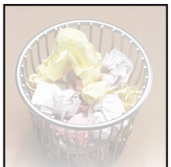

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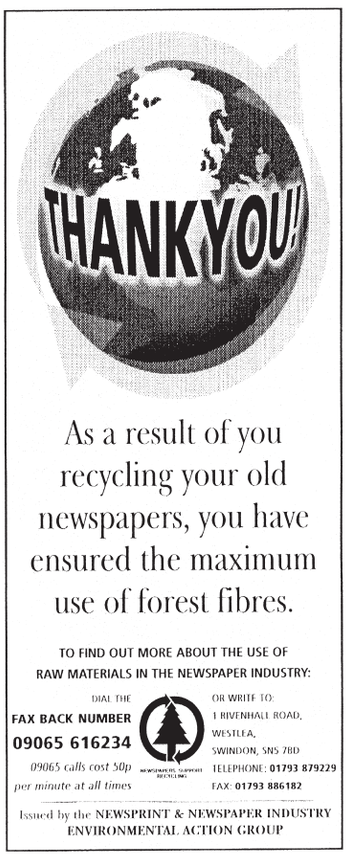

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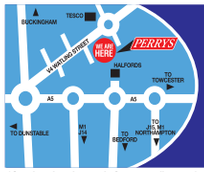

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14	Southampton	postponed	
21	Carlisle	A	
24	Blackpool (Carling Cup)	H	
28	Swindon	H	

September

4	Hartlepool	H
11	Brighton	A
15	Southampton	H
18	Rochdale	H
25	Peterborough	A
28	Charlton	A

October

2	Colchester	H
9	Dag & Red	H
16	Bournemouth	A
23	Exeter	H
30	Tranmere	A

November

2	Yeovil	H
6	FA Cup First Round	
13	Brentford	A
20	Sheff Wed	H
23	Huddersfield	A

December

4	Plymouth	H
11	Notts County	A
18	Oldham	H
26	Leyton Orient	A
28	Bournemouth	H

January

1	Bristol Rovers	H
3	Yeovil	A
8	Exeter	A
15	Tranmere	H
22	Dag & Red	A
29	Leyton Orient	H

February

2	Bristol Rovers	A
5	Sheff Wed	A
12	Brentford	H
19	Hartlepool	A
26	Brighton	H

March

5	Rochdale	A
8	Charlton	H
12	Colchester	A
19	Peterborough	H
26	Walsall	H

April

2	Southampton	A
9	Carlisle	H
16	Swindon	A
22	Huddersfield	H
25	Plymouth	A
30	Notts County	H

May

7	Oldham	A

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MK Dons assistant manager JOHN GORMAN writes exclusively for MK NEWS every week

IT was disappointing not to play Southampton because we were pumped up for it and the in-form team, but obviously circumstances made it necessary to postpone the game.

Instead we played Liverpool's under-18s which gave some of the lads who haven't been playing regularly, as well as some of the youngsters, chance to get some match practice.

It might have been a younger Liverpool team but they've still got a lot of quality and, in my eyes, I thought we played better – I was very impressed with our lads.

George Baldock, Harry Milton and George Williams were all very good.

We got a nice crowd for the game and it was a chance for fans to see some of the youngsters.

I was excited about the young players because I think it shows that we've got some really good kids coming through, so credit to our academy and their development.

This Saturday we'll be at Carlisle, we're planning to stop on the long journey up there to train at Blackburn Rovers.

Karl's obviously got great connections with Sam Allardyce so we'll go up on Friday and train at a lovely training ground, which will break up the trip too. I like going back to Carlisle because I was a player there for six years and every time I go back I always seem to do well – I'm hoping that it will not change on Saturday.

I've been told our record isn't great but for me, every time I go there my team usually does well and wins.

It's important that I mention our Carling Cup draw against Blackpool – everyone should be excited about a Premier League club, and one of the top Premier League clubs at the minute!

I'm sure they'll put out a good side, I know Ian Holloway, he's a real professional.

They played ever so well on Saturday to beat Wigan 4-0 away, regardless of the score at Arsenal it proves they're going to be really up for it.

It's a Premier League team that we can get a result against.

LEAGUE ONE TABLE

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3	Huddersfield	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	4
4	Carlisle	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	4
5	Sheff Wed	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	4
6	Brighton	2	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	4
7	Plymouth	2	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	4
8	Bournemouth	2	1	0	0	5	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	3
9	**MK Dons**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**1**	**1**	**3**
10	Walsall	2	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	3
11	Yeovil	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	3
12	Peterborough	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	1	5	-1	3
13	Bristol Rovers	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	3	-2	3
14	Colchester	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	2
15	Hartlepool	2	0	1	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
16	Rochdale	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	2
17	Exeter	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
18	Swindon	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	2	2	-1	1
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21	Dag & Red	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	-2	0
22	Leyton Orient	2	0	0	1	1	3	0	0	1	1	2	-3	0
23	Brentford	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	2	-3	0
24	Notts County	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	3	-6	0

Above: Harry Milton finds life tough in the box as Liverpool's Brad Smith puts in a strong challenge
Below: Jabo Ibehre appeals to the linesman after being flagged offside

Liverpool a test for youngsters

THE postponement of the League One clash with Southampton offered Karl Robinson the opportunity to give a number of his players a run out against Liverpool's under-18 side.

And it was a worthwhile 90 minutes for Robinson and his charges as they recorded an impressive 4-2 against a skilful young Liverpool outfit.

Daniel Powell, on the field throughout, was credited with a brace, although one of his second half goals picked up a deflection while Sam Baldock and Peter Leven, via a penalty, also got their names on the score sheet.

Robinson gave Stuart Searle the chance to get some time under his belt in goal, while Mathias Kouo-Doumbe, who has missed the first two games through suspension, partnered Tom Flanagan in defence.

Jabo Ibehre and Sam Baldock worked on their partnership up front, and Leven was the experienced head in midfield alongside youngster George Baldock.

Fringe players Adam Chicksen and Powell were also given the opportunity to impress with the remainder of the side made up of Mike Dove's academy team.

For the fans who turned up to stadiummk to watch the game there was also surprise name on the team sheet - Nick Beasant, son of former Wimbledon legend Dave Beasant.

Nick Beasant took to the field in the second half to get some match action to lead the attack.

COMING UP

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THE long dreaded journey to Carlisle comes early in the season for MK Dons.

It is not just the 500-mile round trip that makes Brunton Park an unfavourable place to travel to for the Dons, it's the record they have there.

In their first ever game at Carlisle two years ago the Dons went from 2-0 up to 3-2 losers, conceding three in the second half.

But it is the ghosts of their 5-0 thumping at the ground last season that Karl Robinson's men will be looking to exude.

Carlisle have began the season in impressive fashion with a win against Brentford and a point from Plymouth to leave the Cumberland side in fourth spot.

BLACKPOOL
Carling Cup 2nd Round
Tuesday, August 24
stadiummk KO 7.45pm

WHEN Blackpool were drawn against MK Dons little did anyone think the line "former Premier League leaders" could be attached to Ian Holloway's men.

But at 5pm on the opening day of Premier League it was the Tangerines who were sitting pretty at the top of the pile, before slipping in to second later in the day.

The Carling Cup might not be a priority for the Seasiders, especially with Arsenal away on the cards before their trip to stadiummk, but with their outstanding 4-0 win at Wigan still fresh in their minds the confidence will be oozing at Blackpool.

Tickets on sale now, adults from £10 and £1 for under-16s.

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Don't say a word, but Big Mac could soon be back in training

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SUMMER signing David MacKenzie is eyeing his first training session with MK Dons.

The defender joined on a free from Dundee but a knee injury has prevented him from taking part in training with his new team mates, let alone playing alongside them.

However, there appears to be good news on the horizon for boss Karl Robinson as he expects MacKenzie to return to training in the next week.

That may come as a relief to 6ft 3ins MacKenzie as the physio table has become a lonely place this season because any fully fit players and staff found in the treatment room will be hurt financially.

"He'll hopefully start to join in with training towards the end of next week and then we'll see where he goes from there. It's a strange injury, it's one that you can't really see on any medicals, and it's one that was mistreated last year by his previous club and we've had to burden that.

"I don't even walk in that treatment room, I ban anyone who goes in there to talk as well.

"That's something we've brought in this year, you're not allowed in there to talk, you're fined. You're only allowed in there if you're getting treatment."

MacKenzie's return to fitness will be a welcome boost to the team as they continue to struggle with the injuries in the centre back position, and the 24-year-old is likely to frighten a number of League One strikers this season as Robinson also confessed he is a little intimidated by the towering Scotsman.

Robinson said: "I'm scared of him starting training because he's got these eyes and that physique that I'm actually quite fearful of!"

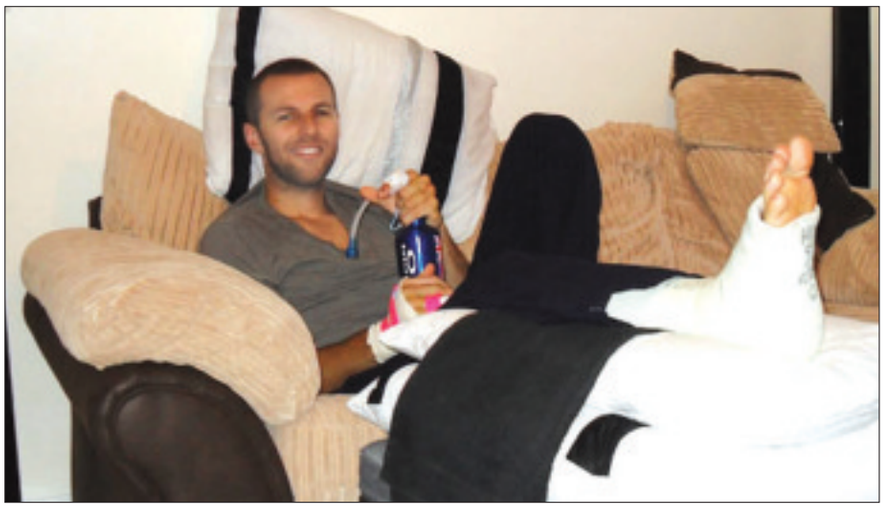
Another defender whose injuries have caused a few scratched heads is Jude Stirling.

The vocal utility man has been a long term absentee from Woughton on the Green with a groin problem, and he is not expect to return for at least three weeks.

Robinson said: "He is still trying to recover. He has been here, it's one of those resting things you can't treat it. It's a case of rest and recover.

"It's a problem with his groin that he suffered in the back end of last season, we've got to make sure that we monitor him really carefully.

"He comes in and gets the monitored by Simon (Crampton) on a regular basis and then gets back out of here because there's nothing you can do, just pure rest."



Chris van der Drift suffered two broken ribs, a broken ankle, fractured shoulder blade and damaged left index finger

Death-cheating driver recovering

A RACING driver who cheated death reckons his 150mph crash, which left him with multiple broken bones, was nothing more than an accident.

Milton Keynes-based Chris van der Drift suffered two broken ribs, a broken right ankle and right little finger, fractured shoulder blade and severely damaged left index finger after launching over Julien Jousse's left rear-wheel and into the parapet of a bridge during a Superleague Formula race at Brands Hatch two weeks ago.

Onboard replays from van der Drift's car have proved inconclusive.

But although the New Zealand driver does believe Jousse altered his track position twice, he also made clear that the resulting accident was just an unfortunate reality of racing.

"I was committed to it as you need to keep the momentum up to get past. The first time he moved was close but the second one left me no room and I was already going for it. It was a racing incident, just one of those things really.

"I'm still alive, so that's good.

"I remember when I started to fly, that was all, and then waking up again when I was stuck (in the car). I woke up, saw my hand and then knew my ankle was busted and in another direction. I was in serious pain so I undid the buckles and got out myself."

After spending two nights in a Dartford hospital, van der Drift was moved to a centre in Northampton where he underwent surgery on his left hand index finger.

Indeed, van der Drift believes it's that injury rather than his broken bones that will determine when he's back behind the wheel of a racing car again.

"I'm feeling a bit bruised and banged up but it's not too bad," he said. "I've got lots of pain killers so they're helping.

"It depends on my hand. I'm going to do my best to get back up to speed again."

Utah Uni point guard joins new-look Lions

KRIS Clark has become Mike New's second addition to his Milton Keynes Lions roster ahead of the 2010/11 season.

The 6ft 2ins American comes highly recommended having been fourth in the nation in assists just two years ago

Clark, 24, is a graduate of Utah State University where he was the starting point guard for two years.

Lions' head coach Mike New said: "Kris is just what we need and he is everything I have been looking for, a very capable young man who can deliver the ball where we want it when we want it while having the ability to score as and when required."

At college at Utah State, Clark averaged six points and six assists per game while delivering the ball to high scorers on the college roster.

Lions owner, Vince Macaulay welcomed Clark to Milton Keynes, he said: "I am glad to have Kris here, this young man is so fundamentally sound and is a joy to watch on the court, he comes with a tough work ethic which will work well with this year's team, he has played professionally after college averaging over 15 points a game in the IBL and has excellent court vision,"

Clark joins Stefan Gill on this year's team which looks to be very different from last term.

The Lions are expected to name more players later this week.

The Lions' first game of the new season is due to be on Sunday, September 26 but a search for a venue goes on.

The club aim to put some emergency measures in place in the next two weeks.

Chest problem puts Poulter out of USPGA

IAN Poulter was forced to withdraw midway through the USPGA Championship at the weekend because of illness.

The Woburn golf professional pulled out before the final round due to a chest infection.

He was stone last in the tournament at five over par after carding a five-over 77 in Saturday's third round. Germany's Martin Kaymer took the title by beating Bubba Watson in the play-off at Whistling Straits.

There had been controversy when Dustin Johnson was docked two shots for grounding his club while in the sand.

Meanwhile, Woburn Golf Club are gearing up to host the Senior Masters Tournament early next month. The Senior Masters in 2010 will be the 50th Professional Golf Tournament to have been staged at Woburn. The tournament will again take place on the Duke's Course from Friday, September 3 to Sunday, September 5.

Tony Johnstone, the 2009 winner, will be trying to defend his title.

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Two games too far for Hollie

MILTON Keynes junior tennis player Hollie Davies has vowed to bounce back following her defeat in the quarter-final of the AEGON British Junior National Championships.

Competing in the 14-years-and-under event in Bournemouth, rain postponed second round and quarter final matches and Davies had to play two games in one day.

In the first match of the day, Davies overcame Natalie Sayer of Hampshire 7-5, 7-6 but came unstuck against eighth seed Freya Chrisite of Nottingham in the quarter-final eventually going down 6-2, 6-2.

Davies, who trains at David Lloyd MK and had earlier knocked out the top seed of the competition, said: "I thought I could go quite far as I know I'm playing well so I'm looking forward to next week's 16-and-under Junior Nationals.

"I'm obviously disappointed to lose but I'll take a lot from this tournament and make sure I come back better next year."

Marathon bowls session

STONY Stratford Ladies Bowls Team are competing in a 24-hour marathon.

The aim is to set a record for the most 'ends' played in a 24-hour session, with the majority of sponsor money going to Willen Hospice.

The bowls marathon will take place on Friday, August 27 from 11am to Saturday, 28 at 11am.

Royal Garden Party honour

LAST year's winner of Bucks Sports Awards, Milford Callow was invited to spend the afternoon at Buckingham Palace for the Royal Garden Party.

Each year the Lord Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire puts forward details of individuals from the across the county who have made an outstanding contribution in some way.

Milford was recognised as a talented sportsman who loves his sport and is giving something back to the community.

He was presented with the Unsung Hero award for his tireless work in supporting athletics in Milton Keynes. Milford first joined the Wolverton Cycling and Athletics Club more than 50 years ago as an energetic 20-year-old.

Almost immediately he took on the mantle of club chairman and breathed new life into the club, laying the foundations for Marshall Milton Keynes Athletics Club.

In 1976 Milton Keynes Athletics Club was founded with Milford as president, a position he still holds 34 years later.

Local cricket washed out

THE local cricket fixtures were a wash out due to the heavy rainfall.

MORRANTS FOUR COUNTIES

Division One

ASPLEY Guise vs North Crawley, New Bradwell vs Eaton Bray, Newport Pagnell vs Milton Keynes City, Studham vs Cublington, and Biddenham vs Elstow were all postponed.

Each team was awarded ten points.

Division Two

CADDINGTON vs Stewkley Vicarage, Cranfield University vs Old Bradwell, Milton Keynes vs Milton Bryan, New City (Milton Keynes) vs Shenley Church End, and Olney town vs Shenley Brook End all fell foul to the weather.

Each team was awarded ten points.

Division Three

THE lead exchanged hands in division three as only two games went ahead.

North Crawley climbed to the top of the table following a six wicket win at home to Wilden

Drayton Parslow vs New Bradwell, Eggington vs Stoke Hammond, and Milton Keynes City vs Open University were postponed.

Each team was awarded ten points.

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Watch out! Easter warns: 'I'm getting better and better'

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JERMAINE Easter has some frightening news for League One roaring: 'I'm getting better and better'.

The hitman netted 20 times last season and is already champing at the bit to get off the mark in this campaign.

As the top goalscorer you would expect more of the same from Easter but he has had to adapt his role under new boss Karl Robinson – dropping deeper as a link-up man rather than a goal poacher – and he believes it has already had a positive impact on his abilities.

Easter said: "Karl's asked me to do a different job for the team it's more about coming off and linking up with play, and stuff like that.

"To be fair, I'm enjoying it, it means I'm involved in the game a bit more, obviously I'm a goalscorer and that's what I'm paid to do, what I'll always want to do."

When asked whether he expects to miss out on goals due to spending more time outside the penalty box, he said: "Definitely not, it just means more work which I don't mind doing.

"I'm a reasonably fit lad so I'll put in the graft. The most important thing for me is scoring goals so I'll make sure I'm there or there abouts.

"I feel like I'm improving daily, I've worked hard on that side of my game over the last 12 months with Paul Ince and Karl Robinson, and now with Karl Robinson and John Gorman so hopefully I'll keep on improving."

Easter's history is peppered with rumours of discontent, but the Welshman is enjoying his football in Milton Keynes and has a happy personal life too having married in the summer.

Easter, speaking after an impromptu signing session during an open training morning at stadiummk on Monday, told MK NEWS: "I'm definitely settled here, it's a great football club, I think it's in the wrong division, but it's a great place to play football and I'm happy I'm settled.

"I got married in the summer, it's nice, I've had to break a few hearts but never mind!"

And he hopes to break a few more hearts this season by helping the Dons claw their way out of League One.

"Obviously last year was disappointing, I felt that we were good enough to do better than we did but that's behind us now and we have to focus on this year, I think we've got a great chance if we keep injury free.

"Pre-season was good for me, I scored three goals when I probably could have ended up with seven or eight.

"I feel strong, fit and sharp."

Frustrated by not playing at the weekend Easter, who instead watched all the results come through on TV, cannot wait to get back on the pitch even if the game awaiting him on Saturday is Carlisle away, where the Dons lost 5-0 last season.

He added: "I was disappointed not to play because on the back of two wins you want to keep the momentum going but hopefully we can continue our winning ways on Saturday.

"I wasn't there last year I was suspended it was a hefty defeat and the lads want to go up there and rectify that."

His team mate Stephen Gleeson did play in the thrashing at Brunton Park and is desperate to make amends for the result.

He said: "It's not great memories from last year, all the boys who played last year all want to put that right. We'll be looking to do them over because they gave us a battering last year."

MK Dons George Williams is scythed down by Liverpool u-18 defender Stephen Sama – match report and more pictures inside